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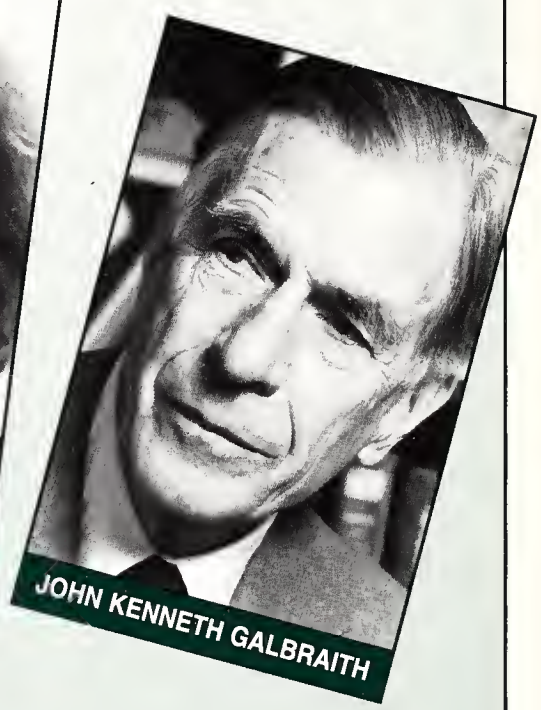
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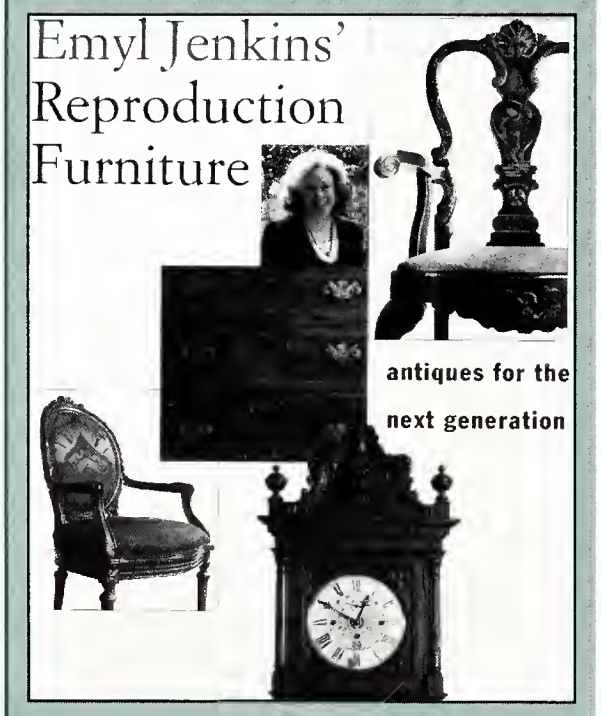
Alumni With Unusual OCCUPATIONS

PART 2

BY LIZ GORDON

A few issues back, we again asked alumni with unusual jobs to write to us. The following fascinating folks responded, giving us glimpses into working worlds most of us haven't thought about.

EMYL JOSLIN JENKINS '62



Many people think the reproduction furniture their grandparents and great-grandparents purchased 50 or 75 years ago isn't worth much. On the contrary, much of it is good and increasingly sought after. "Many artfully crafted old reproductions are of finer quality and worth more than overpriced, fake, and generally inferior pieces wrongly sold as antiques," states Jenkins, antiques appraiser-author.

In *Emyl Jenkins' Reproduction Furniture: Antiques for the Next Generation*, her latest of nine books on antiques and the South, Jenkins shows how collectors can invest in these antiques of the future. The book outlines furniture styles and includes descriptions of American reproduction furniture, a directory of companies that made furniture between the 1880s and the 1930s, and price guidelines for the most common reproduction pieces.

Formerly a contributing editor to *Arts and Antiques*, Jenkins says, "To a new generation that hates to see a tree cut when it isn't necessary, but at the same time loves a beautiful piece of wood, American-made reproduction furniture will be its antiques." Jenkins has had hundreds of speaking engagements across the country and has lectured in many museums, including the Smithsonian Institution. Last fall, she co-starred in a PBS production and appeared in a Thanksgiving at Williamsburg presentation on CNN.

ANTOINETTE MATLINS '67

Matlins, gem and jewelry expert, writer and lecturer, travels the world to explain the value of gems. A leading consumer advocate in the field, she is also the author of *Jewelry and Gems: The Buying Guide, Engagement and Wedding Rings: The Definitive Buying Guide for People in Love,* and *Gem Identification Made Easy.*

Matlins, a lecturer on luxury cruise lines and for the Smithsonian "Campus-on-the-Mall" series, also writes articles for national magazines and has appeared on all three network morning news shows. Based in Vermont, she opens eyes to precious gems and to fraudulent practices.

IRIS HARRELL '69

Reared in the rural South, Harrell

first worked in the tobacco fields. "I was the first in my family to get a college degree," she says. "When I got a second one, they thought it was one too many."

Today she heads Harrell Remodeling Inc., an award-winning company in Menlo Park, Calif., that grossed $1,850,000 in 1994. When she first began, no one in the building industry would hire her, saying that subcontractors would run her over because she was a woman. Now she has a staff of 16, pays them for the usual holidays, vacations, health benefits; offers a profit-sharing plan; gives staffers continuing education incentives; and is working on a 401K plan.

When Harrell's crew is on the job, communication is as important as building materials. "I offer more than: 'Where do you want this, lady?'" In addition, Harrell Remodeling Inc. policy prohibits smoking, drinking and radio-playing on the site.

KIMM HARTY '80

Harty investigates and documents geological hazards (landslides and earthquakes) throughout Utah. She thinks her

job is unique because there is an element of fear in every investigation. "A few years ago," she explains, "I investigated a 40-acre landslide that destroyed one-third of a mile of canyon highway in Southern Utah. As I climbed across the landslide searching for clues as to why it occurred, I was surrounded by an eerie silence, periodically broken as rocks fell from the 200-foot high cliff formed by the landslide." Harty has the right last name.

SHELLEY LAURELL '86

Laurell obeyed the first rule of entrepreneurship — when you find a need, fill it. Whiz Kidz, her computer business in Perrysburg, Ohio, offers computer education for preschool and early elementary school children.

The concept for this began forming in Laurell's mind while she pursued graduate work at Johns Hopkins. Later, while wrapping up her degree at the University of Toledo, the concept developed into a design on her dinner table. In a few months, she was working out of her home. Then in June 1994, Laurell opened a computer education center offering instruction to children not enrolled in day care. "The children who started with us in 1993 were amazingly adept," she says. "They went home and taught their parents on their home computers." Today, Whiz Kidz is in 50 schools across Ohio, but Laurell's still planning.

Her vision broadened when she set up a group of computer education classes for adults. Working in cooperation with local high schools, Laurell's Adult Learning Division occupied otherwise empty computer classrooms for each evening's instruction. A few months later, the Adult Learning Division moved to its own building.

With not enough to do, Laurell added a summer computer camp. Here children, ages 3 to 13, choose from several computer curricula. Beginners usually start with Alphabet Daze (letter recognition); My Life as a Fish, in which they discover ecosystems and food chains while escaping from sharks and moray eels; or Theme Park, which asks students to research and develop new attractions, manage souvenir shops and budget expenses.

More advanced students enroll in The Paper Chase to publish their own newspaper, or take up Tycoon Training, a program that asks children to interview bankers for loans, and teaches them how to buy land, install fences, hire employees and purchase dinosaurs.

In January 1996, Laurell plans to open an additional center at a large regional mall in Northwestern Ohio.

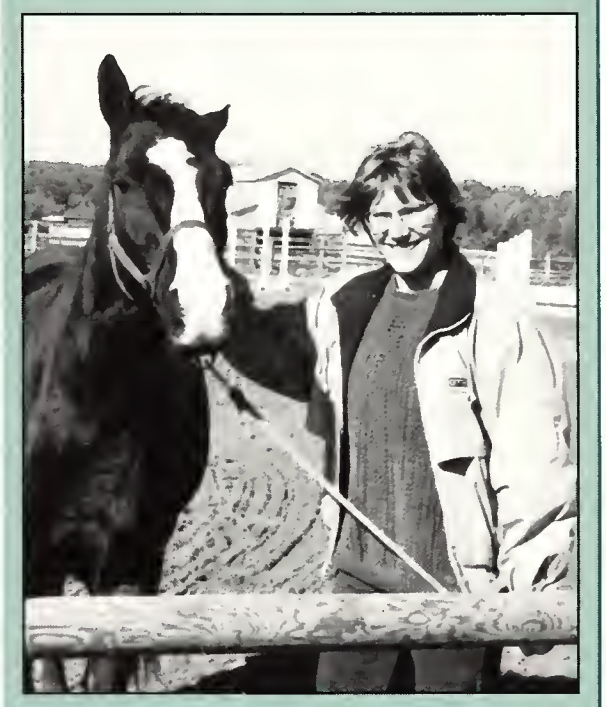
ANASTASIA MARIA STARUCH '88

Staruch uses her Russian and Ukrainian language expertise, her computer skills and government experience in the press office of the United States Information Service (USIS), located in the American Embassy in Moscow.

She says job highlights have been working with the press during the U.S. presidential, vice presidential and secretary of state visits, and the October 1993 crisis, (the dramatic dispute between President Yeltsin and the Russian parliament that had the eyes of the world riveted to TV screens). During that turbulent time, Staruch assisted the press attaché with queries from journalists in Moscow and the United States, and sent advisories to hundreds of concerned American citizens living in Moscow.

NANCY HUFFINE '93

Huffine teaches horseback riding at Hazelwild Riding Center and trains horses at Fox Lair Farm in Spotsylvania. Her artwork is exhibited in Old Town Fredericksburg, and she is working on a series of inks and graphites of horses for magazine covers.



We've learned one thing about MWC graduates. Somewhere along the line they discovered the world is open to anyone with the courage to dream.

If you think *your* occupation is unique, send the information to Editor, *Mary Washington College Today.*

Liz Gordon writes for Mary Washington College's Office of Publications.

So, How Cold is it Really?

The "Opus" doll, given to Isaacson by her sophomore year roommate, has traveled all over the world — including Antarctica.

Once Holly Isaacson '89 completed required field safety training at McMurdo Station, located 179 degrees south of and directly below New Zealand, she was allowed to leave the base. "As long as I stick to flagged routes," she says. "If you leave a marked route, there's a very high chance you'll fall into a crevasse or through the sea ice into the ocean."

For the past two years, Isaacson has worked as an environmental technician for Antarctic Support Associates, based in Denver, Colo. ASA, the general contractor to the National Science Foundation's U.S. Antarctic Program, runs three U.S. Antarctic stations: McMurdo, South Pole and Palmer. Her on-ice deployment lasts from early October to the end of February, a period which falls in austral summer, bringing daylight around the clock. "I have dense bedroom curtains," she explains.

McMurdo, the largest station on the continent, has numerous amenities: hospital, fire station, gymnasium, store, bowling alley, library, post office, airport, two bars and a coffeehouse. But its summer population of 1,000 still dwindles to 200 in the winter.

As environmental technician, Isaacson monitors the station's impact on Antarctica: discharges into the atmosphere and oceans, and local soil contamination (residual fuel spills since the 1950s). More routine observations include drink and wastewater sampling and laboratory analyses. Most analyses are performed on-station in an up-to-date science center, while other samples are shipped back to U.S. laboratories.

She is also involved in numerous science projects relating to evaluating anthropogenic ills possibly present near U.S. stations. "Often scientists start a project, then return home, leaving the experiment's sample and data collection in my hands," she says.

These stations also connect top scientists from different scientific disciplines, allowing them to exchange ideas and data that are ultimately related. "Since everyone eats in the galley," she says, "mealtime conversation can be like reading *Discovery* magazine."

Contrary to many critical Antarctic documentaries, U.S. Antarctic stations are well-maintained and clean, according to Holly. Precautions above and beyond the norm are taken to ensure a low impact to the environment; all trash is sent back to the states, incineration is forbidden, and waste minimization and recycling are priorities.

Because Antarctica doesn't fall under Environmental Protection Agency Regulations, the NSF has adopted environmental policies equal to or more stringent than those the EPA employs. "U.S. stations lead other Antarctic stations when it comes to sound environmental practices," she says.

Isaacson received extensive survival training in building igloos and trenches, glacier travel techniques, crevasse rescues, and extreme cold weather first-aid instruction so that she could visit the South Pole and field camps. "As one would expect, the wildlife and scenery are exquisite," she says. "I marveled at Adelie and Emperor penguins, several species of seals and Orca and Minke whales — all thriving in this incredible environment."

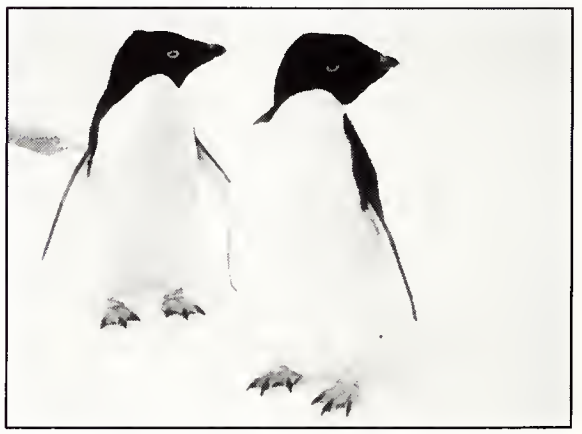
Not only does McMurdo have an oceanfront, but it sits directly across from the Trans-Antarctic Mountain Range with peaks at 13,000 ft. When flying over the exposed mountains during trips to the Polar Plateau, she studies the flow of glaciers over the hidden terrain below. "It's fun to guess by the patterns of the crevasse fields how the glacier moves and carves the rock," she says. "Those classic sights make me think of MWC geography professors Marshall Bowen and James Gouger."

So, how cold was it really? "Coldest temps and wind chill I experienced were -80F," she says. "Warmest was +40F with an average of +15 to 20F. Keep in mind the air is very dry. Almost no humidity makes a windless day of 10 degrees comfortable." Weather changes are very quick, and you must be prepared for all conditions, especially if you leave the station. "Got caught in a whiteout once. Tried to keep warm every way we knew how."

Does Isaacson feel isolated? "Not a bit," she says, "thanks to recent NASA projects. McMurdo is electronically on line and has numerous satellite connections making phone calls home easy. I even get CNN on television."

About her social life, she says, "Reminds me of life on a college campus, where you live very closely with one another, and friendships are intense and often long-lasting."

L.G.



Penguins, with their human-like postures and comical gestures, command a respect not given to most birds.

SUPERMAN AND LOIS LANE

ARE REALLY SCOTT AND LISSA PETERSON

Imagine what a cover sheet for Superman's fax machine would look like. How about a caped figure streaking across the top, and beneath the graphic in angled type: "Faster than a speeding bullet." Well, that and Scott as Batman are exactly what the Office of Publications at MWC received after asking Scott Peterson '91 how he liked his job in New York City.

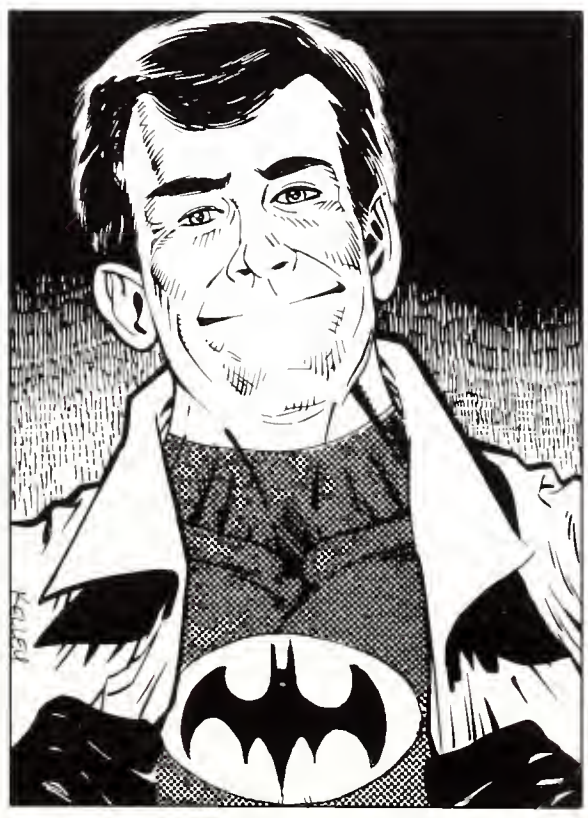
What's the connection? Scott works in Gotham City, as an editor and Batman Group liaison at DC Comics, home of Superman, Wonder Woman and the Dark Knight.

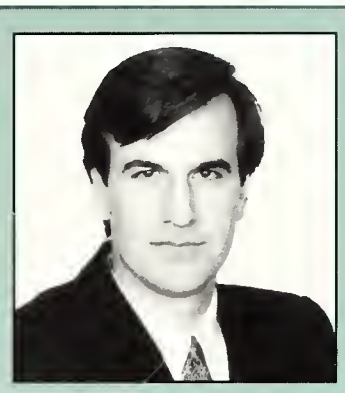
Scott landed at DC a week after graduating from Mary Washington in May 1991. An internship in the production department led to a permanent position in editorial. Soon he was editor of several comics, including "Detective Comics," the longest-running comic book in history, and the place where Batman, in 1939, first appeared. In addition to editing, Scott helps oversee almost everything Batman-related, including T-shirts, toys, video games and the animated show.

He's also starred in a creation closer to home. When Scott and Lissa Brannon '90 were cast as an engaged couple in MWC's 1989 production of "Black Comedy," they never expected to wind up engaged and then married to each other. Now Scott and Lissa play to an audience of one: Kathleen Genia, born June 7, 1995, in New York City.

Jabberwocky, a children's bookstore in Old Town Fredericksburg, led Lissa to New York via North Carolina. She enjoyed browsing in the store so much that, while a graduate student at UNC, she took a spur-of-the-moment job in a similar store. After receiving an M.F.A. in creative writing, she joined the editorial staff of Random House Books for Young Readers in New York. This led to a job at HarperCollins Children's Books, but in 1995, Lissa moved to the other side of the desk. She is now a free-lance writer and stay-at-home mom, whose first children's book, *Jack and Laura*, will be published by HarperCollins in fall 1996.

L.G.





Daniel Wolfe Got the Picture!

Remember seeing the television preview of "Dances with Wolves" a few years ago — that scene where Kevin Costner flips around on the back of his horse to dodge at least a thousand flying bullets? Daniel R. Wolfe '84 gave us that heart-stopping moment which made a few million people instantly vow to see that movie.

Producing that preview may seem like a major undertaking to you, but it's only one of many advertising campaigns Wolfe's orchestrated in the last few years. Actually, his resumé reads like a list of Academy Awards nominations: "Schindler's List," "Jurassic Park," "Scent of a Woman," "Fried Green Tomatoes."

After receiving a B.S. in business administration at Mary Washington, Wolfe went to Emerson College in Boston, Mass., for a master's in communication industries management. While he was there, he obtained an internship at Gillette, where he became an instant expert at putting media buys together. "I was literally learning something in class one day and applying it the next," Wolfe says.

After graduation, he and wife Erin took off for California. "We didn't have jobs — just packed a U-Haul and left," he says. Within a few months, he was hired as manager of advertising at Orion Pictures. "They were looking for someone with a broad knowledge of media buying and a background in production."

While at Orion, Wolfe worked on another top-grossing movie, "Silence of the Lambs." From that position he advanced, as manager of creative advertising, to promote "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" for New Line Cinema.

Currently, Wolfe is vice president of creative advertising operations at MCA Universal Pictures. His campaign for "Apollo 13," starring Tom Hanks, is another winner, and as we go to press, he's busy campaigning "Dragonheart," "Twelve Monkeys" and "Casino."

L.G.

QUEEN OF THE YUKON

One day in 1991, when Anne Meaney-Leckie '78 had taught Geography 213 one too many times, chaired one too many curriculum meetings, gotten a snarky letter from an editor about a late paper and dealt with too many students losing assignments in computers, she said, "Hey! Another 30 years of this?"

Meaney-Leckie decided to do what she was trained to do — be a geographer. Her husband, Bob, who was researching energy-efficient greenhouses in Yukon's northern latitudes, was elated.

They now own and operate Hungry Mountain Farm, a log cabin scientific research station 20 miles from the small, native town of Mayo, Yukon. "In the winter, I can look out and see the Northern Lights dancing in the sky," says Anne. "In June, I bask in 24-hour daylight."

So what does Meaney-Leckie do in Paradise? Anne's specialization is in socio-economic development. She had worked on government-sponsored agricultural projects in the drought-stricken *sertao* of Northeastern Brazil, before her teaching stint at State University of New York. She combined that expertise with her husband's technical/environmental knowledge, and the two of them expanded the greenhouse concept into an experimental project using a waste oil burner heating system of their own design.

Waste oil once dumped in landfills is clean-burned to provide heat for a hot water boiler system. The water goes through a series of passive solar heating channels, which keep the plants at a warm 30 degrees. "We've designed a solar insulating curtain which keeps the heat in," she says. The rest of the operation is powered by renewable energy, primarily solar and hydro.

Anne and Bob intend to prove that growing crops north of 60 degrees latitude is possible and that small economically disadvantaged communities can feed themselves and diversify their economic base. "But we haven't lost sight of our own economics," she points out. "We produce a quality product which sells extremely well on the local market. Our competition is Mexico down 5,000 miles of highway."

Two years ago they expanded the operation to serve as a research base for scientists working in Central Yukon. Five graduate students provide the labor in exchange for technical assistance in the field. Anne and Bob hope to bring college and university field schools to the Yukon for several weeks in the summer to show how one can live with minimal environmental impact in a fragile eco-system.

But it's not all work. The farm shuts down in November, so Anne and Bob can spend December through February on the beaches of Baja in Mexico, fishing, boating and snorkeling.

Reflecting on her 1991 decision to move, Anne admits, "I was afraid to take that leap of faith into the unknown, where the paycheck isn't there and electricity doesn't come from a power company," she says. "But living in the Yukon has been a lifesaver."

L.G.

Anne Meaney-Leckie '78 at Hungry Mountain Farm.

Right: Art Faculty 1959. Seated: Dr. P.G. King, Mrs. D.D. Van Winckel, Mrs. V.P. Butzner. Standing: Dr. L.V. Sumner, Miss J. Orloff, Mr. J. Binford, Mr. G. Cecere.

Below: The African mask was in the fall 1995 exhibition lent by the Bayly Art Museum at U.Va.

College Galleries Enter Fifth Decade with a Look Back

By Joseph C. DiBella and Forrest McGill

Lordy, Lordy, turning 40! Most people don't realize that the College's art galleries have reached this milestone of maturity. MWC's first major art exhibition opened in 1956. *The Bullet* called it "a highlight of the three-day festivities held in conjunction with the inauguration of Dr. Grellet C. Simpson as chancellor of Mary Washington College." Organized by a committee of art faculty led by painter Julien Binford and assisted by students, the exhibition featured 50 contemporary artworks borrowed from prominent New York dealers.

Though the organizers acknowledged the constraints of limited resources, their intentions were not constrained. Binford, in his Introduction in the exhibition catalogue, wrote of Chancellor Simpson's "conviction that the enjoyment of art in familiar surroundings is the daily need of civilized people." Binford hoped the First Annual would be "remembered as a lovable show of small works by great men," and that the paintings, "done in Roman houses, in Mexican and English villages, in Maine woods and under Texan skies, will meet here to say that the world is fair when nations, in wisdom and in peace, share the works of their artists."

Certainly the roster of artists in the First Annual still looks impressive today. Included were Isabel Bishop, Milton Avery, Alexander Calder, Marino Marini, Marsden Hartley and Joan Miró. A student member of the organizing committee, Carolyn Joanne Miller Rinaca '56, recalls how pleased and excited everyone was as the crates were unpacked. After the show was installed, she says, "I'd go in, just sit and look and soak it up."

Of course the educational aspect of the first exhibition was primary, setting an example followed ever since. Students were involved in all aspects of mounting the show. Not only that, as Jane Shuman Steinbrunn '57 reports, they also gave public tours, and were

assigned, in their art classes, to study and even copy the works on display.

From the beginning, the plan was to form a college art collection by buying one painting from each annual exhibition. Such a collection, Binford told the student newspaper, "will be as much of a step forward in the College's development as was the founding of the library." The first purchase was Milton Avery's splendid "Pink Pasture," still probably the most important artwork the College owns.

The galleries' subsequent history has had its ups and downs. The Annuals continued through 1965, with some three dozen significant paintings entering the permanent collection through purchase or as gifts of the artists, faculty members, or graduating classes. Other important exhibitions of the early days included "Oriental Art of Fifty Centuries" (1958), "The Sculpture of Primitive Peoples" (1966), "Dada, Surrealism, and Today" (1967), and "Fifteenth- and Sixteenth-Century Prints from the Rosenwald Collection of the National Gallery of Art" (1971).

There followed a long hiatus. Between 1969 and 1991 no artworks were added to the permanent collection, and between 1973 and 1980 only one exhibition — other than student shows — was held. Why this is so, is not entirely clear. The retirements of the founders (art professors Gaetano Cecere in 1964, Dorothy Van Winckel in 1968, Binford in 1971, Pauline King in 1979) must have been a factor. Also, in the 1970s, the College's adjustment to going coed and separating from the University of Virginia brought many changes.

Finally, during the summer of 1981, Art Professor Joseph DiBella began to organize exhibits for the Fredericksburg Theater Company. These were displayed in the galleries and were open for the intermissions of the company's productions. In the summer of 1982, the slate of exhibits included two that featured craft artists of the Fredericksburg area. The community response was very positive, and with it came a renewed public interest in viewing art at the College.

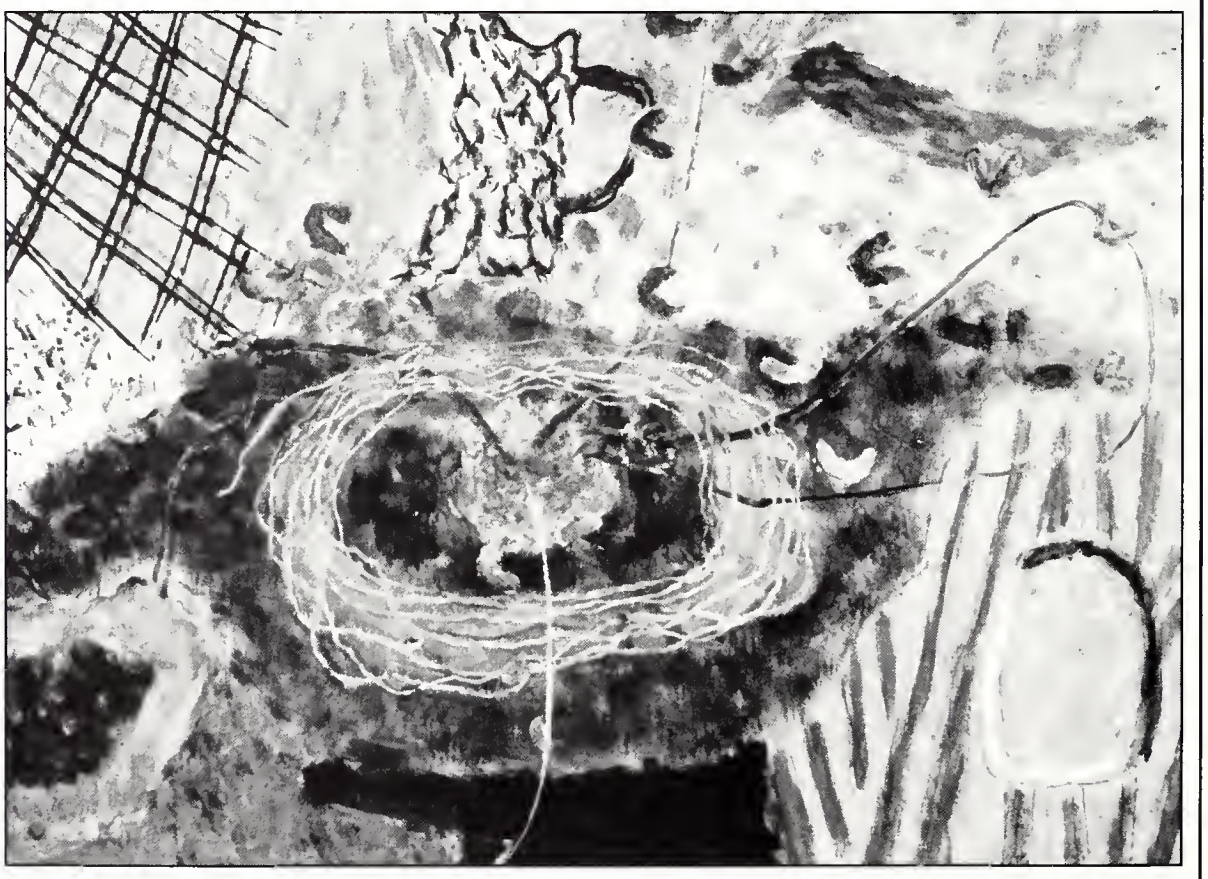
After 25 years of little maintenance, the galleries in duPont Hall were in a tattered state. Scratched floors, thousands of nail holes in the dark burlap walls, and dim lights marred the exhibition environment. When the Virginia legislature came to the College in 1983 for a meeting on the developing Fredericksburg area, the galleries were repapered, and a new lighting system was installed. DiBella organized exhibits of local artists and assisted in displays by local business, industry and cultural organizations.

A view of the Ridderhof Martin Gallery from Melchers Hall.

With an improved facility and growing visibility of the arts at the College, DiBella launched the next phase of the gallery program. Serving as the first gallery director, in 1983 he curated a retrospective memorial exhibition of works by Professor Emerita Dorothy Van Winckel. He also initiated a fund in her memory through the generosity of her brother, Ben Duggan of Chattanooga, Tenn., her friends and former students. That same year, he curated an exhibit of works by alumnae artists of local, national and international reputation.

Increased student interest in exhibition practice prompted DiBella to initiate courses in gallery management. Students assisted in the selection of artists and in all aspects of planning, publicity and installation of exhibitions. Several gallery students went on to positions at prestigious museums, including the Metropolitan and the Pierpont Morgan Library.

In the later 1980s, the number of shows increased dramatically. Broad publicity brought submissions from artists around the country wanting their works to be included in the increasingly selective exhibitions. A major invitational



Julien Binford, American, b. 1908, Still Life with Sweet Potato, *1950s, oil on canvas.*

fiberworks show by New England artists and competitive Mid-Atlantic exhibits of contemporary realism were highlights of the period.

Meanwhile, interest in the College's dispersed and neglected permanent art collection revived. Classes under DiBella, Art History Professor Joseph Dreiss, and Suzanne Arnold, gallery director in 1991-92, gathered records of the collections, researched the artists and their creations, and planned an exhibition of the permanent collection for the fall of 1991.

Mirko (Basaldella), Italian, 1910-1969, Il Vincitore (The Victor), *before 1961, lithograph, Purchase Award, 1961.*

To track down mislaid artworks, students and faculty used an inventory made in 1981 by Frances Armstrong '36, then began snooping around the campus looking in closets and behind furniture. Eventually, most works recorded as belonging to the College were found, or the circumstances of their loss discovered. As many as possible were gathered in the duPont Galleries for safekeeping.

In the autumn of 1990, when he became chair of the Art Department, DiBella was introduced to Phyllis Ridderhof Martin, a California painter, who had recently moved to the Fredericksburg area. Months of discussion and building relationships with Mrs. Martin, her family and her financial consultant led to her donating the funds necessary for the construction of a small museum at the College.

The building would provide high quality spaces for exhibiting contemporary and historical art, properly storing the College art collection, and training students. Mrs. Martin gave more than $500,000 for this project. The Ridderhof Martin Gallery opened in April 1992 with an inaugural exhibit of the benefactor's paintings.

As the new museum project was under way, preparations began for the renovation of the College's fine arts complex, including the Art Department's studios and classrooms in Melchers Hall as well as the galleries in duPont Hall. The new duPont Gallery, now one large space rather than four small ones, reopened in January 1995 with an art faculty exhibit. This new gallery, with its hardwood floors, professional quality lighting system, unbroken wall expanses, and modern furniture, is a handsome and functional counterpart to the Ridderhof Martin Gallery.

Fine donations have greatly enriched the collections in recent years. The late professor of philosophy and religion Kurt Leidecker left to the College more than 200 Asian and American artworks. Phyllis Ridderhof Martin bequeathed hundreds of her own works as well as a group of paintings and drawings by other significant California artists of her generation. The New York artist and intellectual Alfred Levitt donated thousands of works by the little known yet immensely talented and enigmatic avant garde artist Margaret Sutton '26, and has promised a major group of his own works as well. Gifts from other generous friends have been too numerous to mention.

At age 40, the Mary Washington College Galleries have a sizable, interesting collection (all carefully housed and catalogued on the latest computers), good facilities, varied and substantive exhibitions, and enthusiastic student visitors and workers. The gallery staff also shares an unwavering commitment, in the words of the mission statement, to "advance the educational goals of the College through the collection, preservation, exhibition, and interpretation of works of art in accordance with the highest professional standards."

Joseph C. DiBella is professor of art at MWC; Forrest McGill is director of the Mary Washington College Galleries.

Roger Muhl, French, b. 1926, Nature Morte aux Fruits, *1950s, oil on canvas, Purchase Award, 1961.*

Late Modern: Art 1945-1970

Ridderhof Martin Gallery,
January 10-June 2

This exhibition of works from the College's collection shows the crosscurrents of expression, representation, fantasy, and abstraction in art from the end of the war to the rise of the postmodern. Recent donations are highlighted. A quarter of the works have never been exhibited; others have been newly cleaned and conserved.

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10-4; Saturday, Sunday 1-4. Closed Tuesday and Thursday. Also closed March 2-10. For information call (540) 654-1013.

Homecoming '95

By Dorothy E. Ogburn '92

As I was getting ready for Homecoming this year, I experienced the same excitement and anticipation I felt when preparing for an evening during my years at MWC. What would happen? Who would I see? Would I have fun? Well, all of my questions would be answered soon, because Homecoming was about to begin.

Many alumni arrived early and began their preparations by staking out parking spots at the Battleground on Friday afternoon. It's always a race to see who will grab those few spaces overlooking the soccer field for the prime viewing spots — not just for watching the soccer game, either. Unfortunately, I did not arrive until Saturday, and the best spaces were taken. But I didn't care, because I was looking forward to enjoying a beautiful autumn day with my friends, no matter the location. We had a cooler full of our favorite golden beverage, plus a special brew that would, most definitely, keep us happy. Portable grills were in abundance, and the smell of grilled hot dogs from the Student-Alumni Relations Committee concession stand lingered in the fall air.

As the day progressed, we attended the first alumni baseball game. The old fellas put the youngsters to the test and nearly won the game. The alumni rugby game played on to the moans and

Ready to party.

Only the games were intense.

Class of 2011 and 2013.

Rain. Shine. Who cares? It's fun.

groans of those alums who wondered how they ever survived those games before and if they would live through this one. The highlights of the day were the men's and women's soccer games. In an exciting duel with Greensboro College, the men's team fought fiercely to an overtime tie. Following the rains, the women's team took on Indiana University of Pennsylvania, proving MWC's dominance in a decisive 5-0 Homecoming victory.

Ominous clouds rolled in halfway through the afternoon, and down came buckets of rain. For those people who could not get their convertibles covered, nature created a new option for cars: in-auto swimming pools. Nevertheless, the rain dampened no spirits, and we splashed our way to the after-the-game alumni party at Trench Hill.

On our way down Hanover Street, we could see the College tent towering above some treetops, standing firm in the almost hurricane-like weather. Under the shelter of the tent, we enjoyed refreshments while reminiscing with drenched old friends and colleagues.

After our traditional crusades on Saturday evening to The Irish Brigade and Mother's Public House to relive memories, we came to a couple of conclusions:

1. Last year's grads look incredibly young.
2. We can't seem to remember names — even for familiar faces!

Although there have been many changes in our lives and attitudes since graduation, the friendships built while attending MWC are still exceptionally strong. There is no better place to witness this than at Homecoming Weekend.

See you next year!

Dorothy E. Ogburn is chair of Student-Alumni Relations Committee.

Bagpipe music added more atmosphere to the Scot-like weather.

Never too wet to play.

Some of us came prepared.

Now we're the moms and dads.

HONORING PAST GREATS...

MWC Athletic Hall of Fame Established in Summer 1995

By Vince Benigni

If you are an MWC alumnus, you probably remember one or more varsity athletes whose excellence made an impact in your college experience. Or maybe it was a successful coach, or an influential administrator.

You can be a major player in honoring these past greats. The Mary Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame has been established, with the charter group (up to 10 inductees) to be elected in fall 1996. Use the nomination form on the right to place someone on the final ballot for the Hall of Fame Selection Committee to consider this summer.

Hall of Fame inductees will be honored at an annual Awards Banquet on Friday evening of Homecoming Weekend. Commemorative plaques will be given to each inductee, and a copy of each plaque will be displayed in the Hall of Fame Lounge in Goolrick Gymnasium. Details on inductees and banquet tickets will be included in the next *MWC Today* issue.

To fund the Hall of Fame, the MWC Athletic Department needs the assistance of alumni and friends. Each April (starting April 26, 1996), a Hall of Fame Golf Tournament will be held as the primary fund-raiser for the project. See the entry form on page 14 for details. Tax-deductible donations are welcomed.

You can help to make the Hall of Fame an unqualified success. What better way to rekindle sports memories than to honor the outstanding athletes who created them?

Vince Benigni is Sports Information Director at MWC.

Nomination Form For Mary Washington College

Athletic Hall of Fame/1996

(NOTE: If nominating a former varsity athlete, nominee must have graduated from Mary Washington College no later than 1986, or if a coach, administrator, etc., must have served an extensive length of time at the College. You may not nominate yourself for the Hall of Fame.)

Please type or print clearly!

Name of Nominee_____ Class:_____

Varsity Sport(s)_____

Reason(s) for Nomination_____

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Submitted by_____

Relationship to nominee (teammate, fan, coach, etc.)_____

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Address and/or phone number of nominee (if you know it)_____

_____

YOUR address and phone number_____

_____

MAIL TO: Sports Hall of Fame Committee, c/o Sports Information Office, Mary Washington College, 1301 College Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401

NOTE: All nominees will be notified by mail that they are under consideration for the Hall of Fame, and will be asked to fill out a complete biographical form at that time for further consideration.

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SEND NOMINATIONS TO MWC SPORTS INFORMATION OFFICE BY JUNE 1, 1996

TEE IT UP!

FIRST ANNUAL MWC ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, April 26, 1996 (12:30 p.m. start)
Cameron Hills Golf Links, King George, Va.

Projected $1,100 in cash prizes
(Top four teams "cash in"... $500 for 1st; $300 for 2nd;
$200 for 3rd; $100 for 4th)

Captain's choice format with "shotgun start." Sign up as a foursome, or call to join in with someone else.

18 holes of golf, free use of driving range and putting greens, post-round picnic and awards ceremony.

Pro shop prizes for longest drive, longest putt and closest to the pin.

Optional putting contest following round for additional prizes.

EVERY PLAYER WILL WIN A DOOR PRIZE.
These range from dinners for two, to MWC clothing items.

NOTE: All proceeds go to the MWC Athletic Hall of Fame Fund, which pays for award plaques, banquet ceremonies and other related expenses. Please support this exciting new venture. The first induction class will be honored at a banquet on Homecoming Friday (Oct. 18, 1996) at MWC. An order form for banquet tickets will be in the next issue of *Mary Washington College Today*.

PLEASE MAIL THIS ENTRY FORM WITH PAYMENT BY APRIL 1, 1996

Name of your team _____

Contact's phone # (work)_____ (home)_____

Members of foursome:_____
(or individuals)

_____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED:_____
($300 per foursome, or $75 per player)

CALL MWC SPORTS INFORMATION OFFICE AT (540) 654-1743 FOR MORE DETAILS!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MWC ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME FUND
Mail to: MWC Athletic Hall of Fame Fund, c/o Sports Information Office
1301 College Ave.
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

NOTE: If you're not a golfer, but would still like to make a tax-deductible donation to support the Hall of Fame, make checks payable to: MWC Athletic Hall of Fame Fund, and mail to address listed above. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

On Campus

MWC Ranked in U.S. News and Fiske Guide

★ ★ ★

For the fourth time in six years, Mary Washington College has been named to America's Best College's list, published annually by *U.S. News & World Report.* Only 150 colleges and universities make the list each year from a national survey of the 1,500 leading four-year institutions.

Mary Washington was ranked 13th in the Regional Universities – South category. Other institutions listed in the same category included the University of Richmond, James Madison University and Samford University in Alabama.

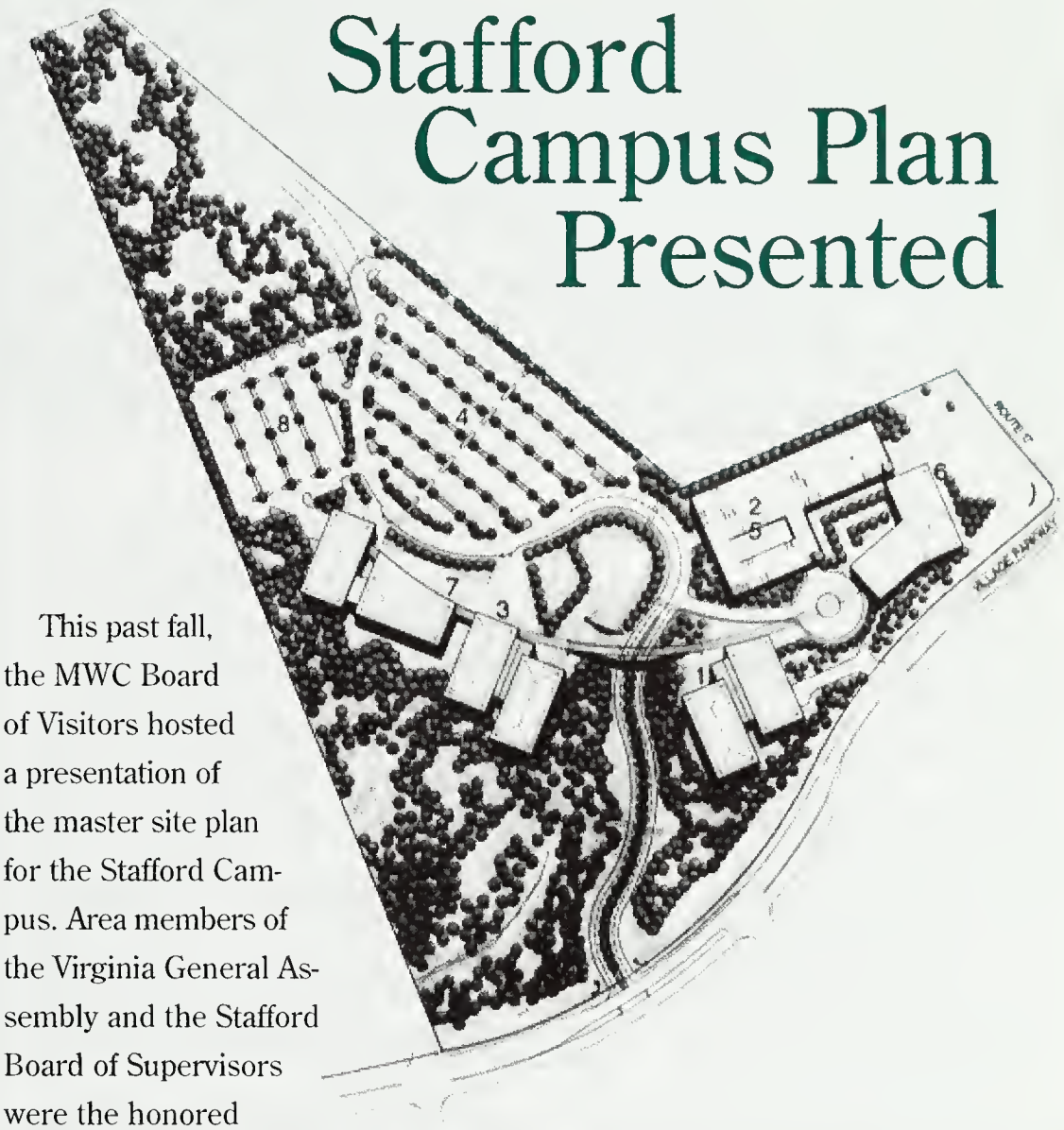
MWC was also ranked as the second most efficient regional college or university in the South. The College was ranked fourth in student selectivity and 10th in academic reputation among its peer institutions, but it was ranked 55th in faculty resources and 77th in financial resources. Many of the colleges in Mary Washington's category are private institutions, with larger endowments and higher tuitions.

The *U.S. News & World Report* listing is considered one of the nation's most prestigious rankings. The magazine's researchers use more than 300 pieces of data to compare the nation's colleges and universities.

The 1996 *Fiske Guide to Colleges* ranked Mary Washington as one of the country's "best and most interesting" colleges and universities. In addition, the College was among 42 institutions included in Fiske's "Best Buys" category. This is a unique classification for families and students in search of "remarkable educational opportunities at a relatively modest cost." Other colleges on this list include Miami University, the College of William and Mary, the University of Richmond and Rice University.

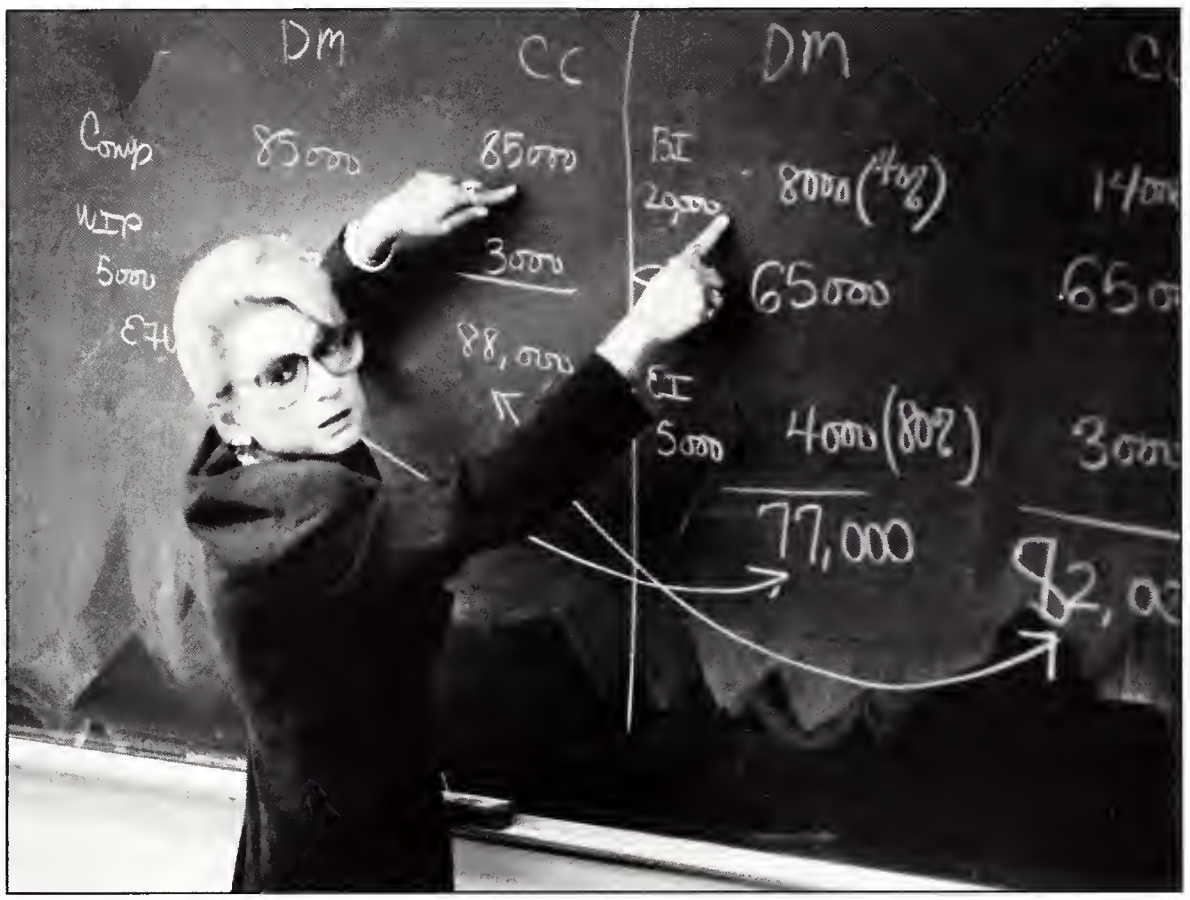
Mary Washington also received a four-star overall academic climate rating. *The Fiske Guide* highlights Mary Washington's dedication to liberal arts requirements and writing intensive courses, and identifies historic preservation and political science/international affairs as two of the strongest programs offered.

Stafford Campus Plan Presented



This past fall, the MWC Board of Visitors hosted a presentation of the master site plan for the Stafford Campus. Area members of the Virginia General Assembly and the Stafford Board of Supervisors were the honored guests, with Senators John Chichester and Edd Houck and Delegate Bill Howell among the more than 100 attendees. The master site plan, developed by the Northern Virginia architectural firm of Dewberry & Davis, calls for the development of a 48-acre campus in four building phases. The site is located just north of the GEICO Insurance building on Rt. 17.

State Senators Edd Houck (left) and John Chichester (right) share a laugh with Sid Dewberry (center) of Dewberry & Davis.



Patricia L. Metzger in business administration class.

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Jack Bales, reference and bibliographic instruction librarian, returned to his alma mater, Illinois College, to speak on "The Joyous Burdens of a Writer." His talk was part of I.C.'s Frank-Seybold Lecture Series.

Patricia L. Metzger, associate professor of business administration, presented a paper, "Gender Differences in Responses to AICPA Ethical Rulings," at the Annual Southeastern Chapter Meeting of The Institute of Management Sciences, where she chaired the session on managerial accounting.

Aniano Peña, professor of modern foreign languages, presented the paper "*La Condesa de Pardo Bazán. Nueva Perspective*" at the Hispanic Association for the Humanities held at the *I Congreso Internacional* in Madrid in August.

Mark J. Rozell, associate professor of political science, co-edited (with Clyde Wilcox) *God at the Grass Roots: The Christian Right in the 1994 Elections*, and wrote the chapter "Executive Prerogative: Abraham Lincoln and American Constitutionalism," in *Abraham Lincoln, Contemporary: An American Legacy*. He also presented three papers. One, with Clyde Wilcox, titled "Religious Coalitions in the New Christian Right," was given at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion in Washington, D.C., in August. Another, with Clyde Wilcox and John C. Green, titled "Faith, Hope and Conflict: The Christian Right in Republican Party Politics," was presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Washington, D.C. His paper, "FDR and the Prerogative Presidency," was given at the conference "FDR After 50 Years" at Louisiana State University in Shreveport, La.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

September

"Art and 20th-Century Wars," an exhibition commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, opened at the MWC Galleries. Among the works exhibited were Phyllis Ridderhof Martin's "Hiroshima," Alfred Levitt's "The People Are on the March," and other works exemplifying artists' reactions to war and the use of art for propaganda...The Galleries also showed "The Art of the African Mask," an exhibit from U.Va.'s Bayly Art Museum of 22 ritual masks from various cultures in Africa...Beginning and advanced classes in American sign language and cued speech began at the College...Signed copies of Al Capone biographies and a copy of *The Untouchables*, the story of crime-fighter Eliot Ness (signed by actor Robert Stack, who starred in the TV series), were featured in a display of autographed books in Simpson Library. The collection was put together by Jack Bales, MWC reference librarian, who has been collecting and studying books for over 30 years...The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center at MWC held a seminar on "Steps to Starting Your Own Business"...Lillie Shockney, author of "Joining the Club: The Reality of Breast Cancer," gave a talk on breast cancer. Inspired by her own experiences as a patient, nurse and friend, she provides support to others who have been touched in some way by this disease...The Department of Theatre and Dance began its fall season with "Picnic," a three-act play by William Inge, which won the 1953 Pulitzer Prize for drama...A collection of 34 works of art by Steve Griffin traced his artistic journey from his undergraduate days at the U. of South Dakota in the late 1960s to his present position as associate professor of art at MWC. Computer users around the world were able to visit the exhibit via the Internet.

October

Award-winning poet, journalist and critic Luis Rodriquez delivered the key-

Young visitors study a painting in Steve Griffin's retrospective exhibit at the duPont Gallery.

The MWC College-Community Symphony Orchestra continues to delight its audiences.

Thaddeus Brys, cellist, and his accompanist-wife presented a recital.

note address for National Hispanic Heritage Month. His memoir, *Always Running — La Vida Loca: Gang Days in L.A.*, chronicles his life of poverty and ghetto warfare in the late 1960s and '70s... Mary Russo '86 visited the campus as the Psychology Department's first "Graduate in Residence"...The Mary Washington College-Community Symphony Orchestra opened the 1995-96 season with a concert featuring MWC students as soloists...The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center offered its Micro-business Training Program, a seven-module course on management training and writing a business plan. It also held a seminar on "Steps to Starting Your Own Business" and, in cooperation with George Mason University's Procurement Technical Assistance Program, offered "Marketing to State and Local Governments"...Cellist Thaddeus Brys, professor emeritus of cello and chamber music at Louisiana State University, presented a recital...The College sponsored its second annual White Ribbon Campaign to focus attention on the problem of male violence against women. Male students and faculty members were asked to wear white ribbons for one week to signify their commitment against violence, and comedian Brett Leake gave a benefit performance to raise money for agencies that help battered women. Chris Kilmartin, associate professor of psychology at MWC, and chairman of the campaign, was Leake's opening act... Dr. Carl Lounsbury, winner of the 1995 Historic Preservation Book Prize, lectured on "Design in Early America"... "Islamic Life and Culture in Iran," which included 18 photographs by Sasan Afsousi, was featured in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery.

Carl Lounsbury lectured on "Design in Early America."

Photo of 18th century mosque, by Sasan Afsousi, from the exhibit "Islamic Life and Culture in Iran."

Alumni News

Office of Career Services Needs You

Do you remember when you were a student — unsure of what careers were out there?

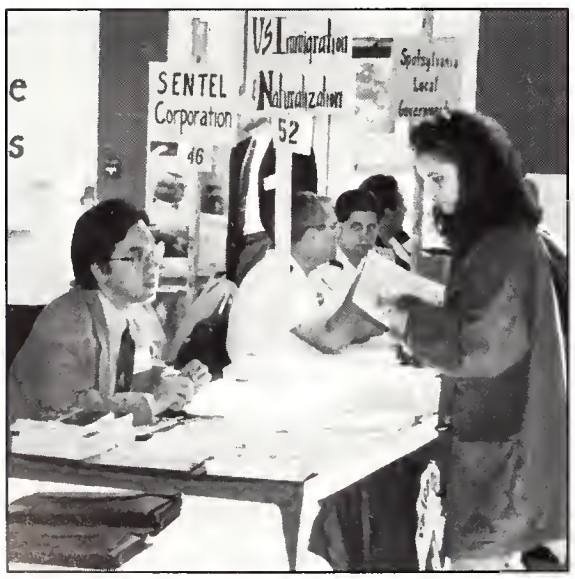
In the Office of Career Services, we work with undecided students every day. One of our most valued sources of career and graduate school information is Mary Washington alumni.

We would like to invite you to participate in our biggest event of the spring: Careers and Majors Day (formerly Occupational Fair), scheduled for March 21, 1996.

For this program, we invite numerous alumni to return to campus, discuss their career fields with current students and answer questions such as, "What can I do with a sociology major?" and "What is it like to be a biologist?" You don't have to make a speech or sit on a panel — just chat informally with students and share your experiences with them.

Coming back to campus, seeing old friends and visiting with your favorite professors are additional pluses!

If this sounds like an event you'd like to learn more about, please call Mary Becelia, assistant director of career services, at 540/654-1022; or e-mail to mbecelia@mwc.edu.



Students receive information about careers.

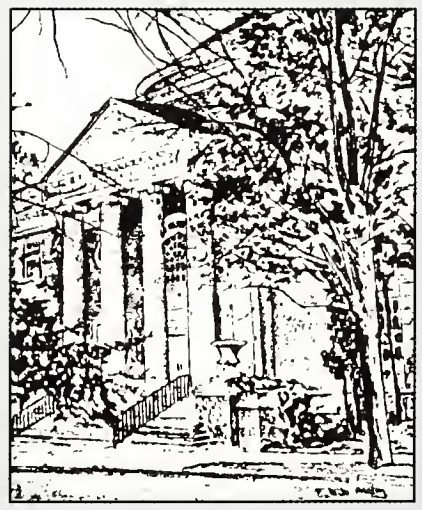
Teresa Landon '91 and George, the therapy puppet from Carriage Hill Nursing Home, at a recent Occupational Fair, now called Careers and Majors Day.

Maximize Your Control of the Distribution of Your Estate

Without a valid will, the laws of your state of residence dictate what happens to your assets. With a simple will, you take control of the distribution of a larger portion of your property, but federal estate taxes may siphon a significant percentage of what you want to distribute to heirs.

Take a broad view. Examine all of your assets, all of your heirs and charities, and consider ways to maximize the distributions from your estate according to your goals and values. You may find a charitable component helpful in your estate planning. Mary Washington offers a full range of income plans and bequests. We have a new booklet, "What to Do Before Drafting or Reviewing Your Will," that we would like to send to you. Please call or write:

R. Scott Jepson III
Mary Washington College
P.O. Box 1908
Fredericksburg, VA 22402
(540)654-1024



Reunion '96 WEEKEND

May 31-June 2, 1996

Friday's Traditional Rose Garden Welcome
Theme Dinner at Seacobeck ⚜ Stay in Residence Halls
"Reunion College" Classes ⚜ Campus Tours
Saturday's Picnic at the Fountain and Class Pictures
Foundation Reception for Honored Classes
Awards Banquet ⚜ Slide Show ⚜ "Last Hurrah" Party

Reunions for classes ending in "6" and "1"...spouses and friends are welcome! You don't have to be a reunioner to come back for the weekend fun!

All reunioners and Golden Society members will receive the Reunion Weekend brochure in April. Be sure to register early!

Having trouble locating a classmate? Contact the Alumni Office for assistance, and please continue to notify the Alumni Office of the whereabouts of your "lost" classmates. We want to be sure they receive the brochure, too.

Attention Non-Reunioners
If you are **not** a member of a reunion class but would like to receive the Reunion Weekend brochure, call us at (540) 654-1011 or return this form to:

Reunion Weekend '96
MWC Alumni Association
P.O. Box 1315, College Station
Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1315

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Class Year _____

Daytime phone (___) _____

Is this a new address? _____

Class Notes

Goat Notes

1924

Sue Risheill Perry
227 N. Columbus St.
Alexandria, VA 22314

1934

Mary Virginia Willson
19544 Herndon Court
Leesburg, VA 22075

My address has changed, but I have not moved. To assist the fire and rescue services, we, who live in the country, have been assigned addresses with street numbers. We have been told it is easier to find us this way.

I'm sorry to report that no one from our class has sent in any news. As I'm an optimist, I hope someone will write. After 61 years, you might think no one remembers you. Not true!

Many thanks to those class members who faithfully send financial contributions to the College. The scholarship committee appreciates every penny, as they have more requests than they can fill.

Keep well and interested in life.

1936

Ethel Nelson Wetmore
107 Manteo Ave.
Hampton, VA 23661

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Marion Goodman Lichtman**, who died August 3. Survivors include two daughters, a sister and four grandchildren. We also send sympathy to **Edna Lovering Roe**, whose husband died June 11. In October 1988, Edna sent me a snapshot of her and Bob on their honeymoon in Montpelier, Vt.

Vernie Blankinship Knight and husband "Bus" attended the Reunion 1995 picnic. They said the food was the best they had ever had at any MWC function. Vernie said the campus never looked prettier. Her granddaughter, Ibby, has resigned her teaching position in Evanston, Ill., and is resuming her music education at a new conservatory in Boca Ratan, Fla.

Mary Frances Rowe Varner spent a pleasant week in Switzerland in August with a group from Sweet Briar College. It was arranged through a program called "American Campuses Abroad" that combined lectures and sightseeing. They stayed in a small town surrounded by Alps near Lucerne and Interlochen. Some people from William and Mary also stayed in the town, and Mary Frances saw **Alice Dew Hallberg** '37 from Fredericksburg, with whom she had grown up!

Louise Jennings Creamer has enjoyed visits from her family. Her son, Bob, accompanied Louise's grandson, Jonathan, to Boston College, where he is a freshman. They live in Menlo Park, Calif. Daughter Judith and her husband had a trip to England and France.

Adelle Mansfield Goodwin wrote that she doesn't go on any more overnight trips. "I am now an old hen that has to roost in my own hen house every night." Adelle had three jam-packed days in August when daughter Martha and her 13-year-old, Erin, drove to Orange from New Jersey. They attended the 55th Belmont Horse Show in her home area of Spotsylvania County, where Adelle's husband was chairman of the show for many years. This was the 27th year that son Bobby has announced it. Granddaughter Stacy, home from Stamford, Conn., for the weekend, went with them to The Kirk, Sam and Adelle's home church. Afterward, they had brunch at the Louisa Country Club, followed by brief calls on friends. Monday they had lunch with Martha's roommate from William and Mary. They briefly saw a first cousin of Adelle's, who is very dear to her. "Of course we were all tired, but it was a happy tired," Adelle wrote. Hopefully, by this time next year, daughter Judy and her Air Force colonel husband will be moving back to Virginia. They now live in Albuquerque, N.M. Son Billy, who lives in Wyoming, visited Adelle this summer.

Page Whitehead Hladky was in England in July and August visiting her son and his family in Cambridge. They spent two weeks in Guernsey Island in the English Channel. Her oldest grandson is a student at Oxford.

Our 60th reunion will be May 31-June 2. **Frances Liebenow Armstrong** is our chairperson. Thank you, Frances, for all your work. She stays busy at the College, is active in church work and still plays bridge almost every week.

In October, I went to San Francisco to see my son and his family. Hope to see you at our 60th reunion.

1938

Helen Pressley Voris
6086 Old Lawyers Hill Road
Elk Ridge, MD 21227

1940

Office of Alumni Programs
P.O. Box 1315
Fredericksburg, VA 22402

1942

Office of Alumni Programs
P.O. Box 1315
Fredericksburg, VA 22402

1944

Jayne Anderson Bell
116 Cedar Hollow
Fort Mill, SC 29715-8302

Mail has been enormously interesting! I enjoy going into reflective gear and swinging down memory lane. Do you remember a speech given in GW Hall by Mrs. Bushnell in which she used a quote (G.B. Shaw, I think), "Be in debt to the past, but not in bondage?" Funny thing to remember, but, from your letters, I sense that we are a class indebted for our years at MWC. Memories are sweet, especially those brought to mind after so long.

Marilynn Price Heady writes of "special feelings among those in PE, of camping on the hill down by the hockey field, the agility of **Ginny Hawley** and **Nettie Evans** on the hockey field and **Emmy-Lou Kilby**'s ability in the pool. Some of our classmates were better swimmers than the teacher. Mildred Spiesman admitted it. 'Do as I say, not as I do,' she would say. Remember going to the College Shoppe when dinner at Seacobeck didn't appeal? Working behind the scenes at GW with Don Jones when Hans Fiedler brought the symphony to MWC?"

Ann Murden Jaekle has a vivid picture of playing trombone, marching in the front row in the band and a trip to Suffolk to march at the Peanut Festival. "We wore short skirts and white booties. People thought we were unusual (we hope, unusually good)."

Bertha "Mac" McPhail Johnson's memory is clear because the memories are of her roommates and suitemates, who remain best friends. Mac writes, "When Doodie, Martha, Mary Ellen, Gracie, Emmy and I graduated, Doodie's mother and dad let us use their house on a river. We spent a week in the woods — great time! Recently, we relived the past — same place, same people. Two changes we enjoyed were inside plumbing and an enlarged house. We talked each other to death — great reunion! We've had one time together since, at Martha's home in Onancock, Va."

Millie DeVine Bristow shares a lesson learned: "**Sara Davis**, **Betty Griggs** and I had lunch at the Princess Anne one Saturday. Each ordered a glass of wine. We were feeling so smart and worldly, when in walked **Peggy Moran**! We died and the wine lost its allure. We were afraid we'd be called before Student Council, but Peg either didn't see the wine or chose not to. We were spared. Lesson learned? Observe the rules and you'll not ruin a lovely lunch."

From **Cena Carswell**: "When it comes to one most memorable person, it is my cherished memory of Levin Houston III — a man loaded with talent, personality and a voracious love of life. He took me under his wing as an undergraduate and supervised my teaching his overflow of town piano students. My teaching was done in his home, and I felt like a member of the family, with Betsy, his wife, and cute 5-year-old, Dulcie, who also was one of my students. 'The girls of the '40s were

cream-of-the-crop,' was one of Mr. Houston's observations."

One letter was unsigned. The writer remembers "the walk to Seacobeck beneath the weeping willows. Once it flooded; but no one realized it was raining that hard until we left the dining hall and found ourselves knee-deep in water. How we did squeal and scatter to our dorms! Remember when everyone, after a meal, had to pick up a can from the dining hall to deposit somewhere for the war effort?"

Mrs. Dodd will appreciate the following memory from **Mary Frances Plunkett Knox**: "Dr. James Dodd often told me I could do better. Throughout the years I've tried to!"

It was a super to-be-remembered event involving classmates when **Merle Updike Davis** and her husband, Bob, made the trip from Berkeley, Calif., to Ardsley, N.Y., to help celebrate Frank and **Ruth Gubler Kluge**'s 50th anniversary last July. At the reception, there were two photographs prominently displayed for all to see. One was of Merle and Ruth, taken on the tennis court when they were MWC freshmen, their rackets poised for action. The second was an enlarged photo of the same ferocious athletes on the court, same stance, wielding their rackets, 55 years later in Ardsley, N.Y.!

From **Jean Wade Otte**: "I am still enjoying the warmth from our 50th anniversary. The College did a remarkable job making it memorable. It was wonderful to see so many classmates." In April, Jean enjoyed a visit with **Henrietta Hoylman Parsons**, who was recovering from heart surgery and implantation of a pacemaker. From all of us to you, Henny, we want you well!

Monika Dahl Scott: "My memorable professor is Dr. Hugo Iltis. He was Hungarian, a very colorful character and very strict. One made either an A or an F. The most important organization to me was the Hoofprints Club and its cavalry troop. Events on campus never forgotten was the great flood of 1942. The cavalry troop was appointed by the governor of Virginia to aid in rescue and security of half of Fredericksburg. It was serious work, but we also had fun.

"Some of us were to go to a ring dance at VPI. We were destroyed when, because of the flood, Dr. Combs forbade our leaving the campus. At the last moment, his order was changed. Heat and water had been reinstalled. I learned a lesson: 'Keep the faith.' Things usually work out."

Elizabeth Cumby Murray fondly remembers Dr. Moss' history classes when "the light went on, and history came alive. It was so interesting, that filling a blue book in answer to his essay-type questions was a breeze!" Cumby also remembers Mrs. Bolling as an excellent French teacher with a delightful sense of humor. As we talked by phone, we remembered funny Dr. Shankel, who taught English lit. and strolled the campus, singing. He was a character!

Corabel Garretson Wallace writes: "These remain distinctly memorable: **Mary Annette Klinesmith Kelly**, Eileen Dodd, Mildred Bolling, Edward Alvey — all contributed to the quality of my life after MWC. The convocation following Pearl Harbor, when war was declared, was a never-to-be-forgotten event. Our lives were drastically changed."

From **Virginia Morgan Kline**: "**Dorothy Woodson Baber** influenced my path toward student government when she nominated me as treasurer for our sophomore class. From then on, my goal became student government, and what a memorable path that was!

"Mrs. Eileen K. Dodd, in psychology, guided me right into a joint major in philosophy. I remember Dr. Emil Schnellock espousing philosophy while we painted murals in Monroe Hall. Mr. Walther, Hoofprints Club and the cavalry were highlights. We learned responsibility and discipline in caring for the horses. The midnight rides in the rain to downtown Fredericksburg during the great flood were never-to-be-forgotten events. We were armed with flashlights to protect our town!"

Frances Farrell Fletcher writes: "We business majors enjoyed Sigma Tau Chi. At one time, we filled clerical jobs in Dr. Alvey's office when federal grants were stopped. We learned to know that special man well while we practiced our office skills and tried to make ourselves useful. Another special memory was the privilege of attending classical music concerts. Dressed in our formal gowns, our evening would begin with dinner at Seacobeck, then to G.W. Hall to hear marvelous music, where I heard my first opera, 'Carmen.' My appreciation for classical music was certainly formed there, as well as in Dr. Herman Reichenbach's music survey class."

Jane Trevvett Ford was to graduate in the class of 1945 but accelerated by taking courses in summer school and by being just plain smart; thus she graduated with us in 1944. Jane writes: "My big news for '95 is that I have become the proud mother of three daughters and acquired 10 grandchildren! My husband and I had one wonderful son, David, adopted at birth in May 1955, who is an attorney in D.C. David called us a few days before his 40th birthday to say he and his wife were flying down to spend it with us in Maitland, Fla. They could hardly wait to tell us that on Mother's Day, a lady from Ohio had telephoned and said, 'I think you are the brother I've been searching for since 1983!'"

It turns out this lady was one of three sisters, all given up for adoption! Through a series of extraordinary events, the three sisters, when grown and with families of their own, were reunited and began to look for their baby brother. "David was that baby brother! When the four siblings met for the first time, you've never seen a happier reunion!" Jane enclosed a picture of three beautiful young women with David, and they looked so happy.

Of her favorite memories, Jane writes: "**Mary Reams Taylor** and I married on the same day, ate dinner together that evening and retired to the same hotel. Mary went to the class reunion in 1994, found my address while there, and now we are back on track. The outstanding faculty member for me was Mildred Stewart. I still do the warm-up exercises she taught us. She was an inspiration for all of us in senior modern dance. Never-to-be-forgotten events were nights sitting in the dark basement of Mary Ball during blackouts. We sang, and those of us who had loved ones overseas, cried."

On a lighter note, Jane described a lesson learned from Mrs. Bushnell: "How to separate an olive pit from the olive in your mouth; how to, furtively, extract it while blotting lips; and how to hide it under a lettuce leaf." We could do a whole column on Mrs. Bushnell alone, with all of our combined memories and embellishments of the years!

This walk down memory lane has been an awesome experience for your class agent. I laughed, cried and thoroughly enjoyed turning back the clock.

1946

Elizabeth Stallings Sharpe
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I hope everyone received the registration form for our 50th reunion and returned it to the College, so the Alumni Association will know how many to expect. It will be great if we can break the record of 85 returning alumni for a 50th reunion!

Frances Holsclaw Brown, who has lived in Ocala, Fla., since 1989, compiled our 45th reunion booklet and did a super job. She has graciously agreed to be our reunion booklet editor again for our 50th. Frances attended MWC for two years, received her secretarial diploma in 1944, then worked for six years in Hopewell, Va., and 39 years in Washington, D.C. She has been a certified professional secretary since 1953. Roland and Frances were married in 1979.

June Reamy Maxwell found that **Susan Tillson Metzger** was living near her in Gulf Breeze, Fla. Susan lost her husband, Lewis, in 1991, and is now teaching computer courses at the U. of West Florida. June's husband is a retired U.S. Naval officer, and they have three children: a son, Rob, and two daughters, Ann and Mary.

I received a letter from **Helen Rasmussen Wallace**, who lives in Surfside Beach, S.C. A former roommate, **Patricia Mathewson Spring** '50, sent her two copies of *MWC Today*, and she found my address. Helen taught third grade at a local school for 27 years and retired in 1987. She and husband Jerry have three children and four grandsons.

Some years ago, I heard **Maxine Lucille Patterson** was teaching at Stetson U. in Deland, Fla., so I wrote the school to ask if they had a mailing address for her. I received Maxine's current address and phone number in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. I couldn't wait to give her a call. Maxine first taught in Coker College in Ft. Collins, S.C., then went to Stetson U. in 1948 and retired in 1993. In between, she received her master's from the U. of Colorado in Boulder, Colo., and worked on her doctorate at the U. of Iowa.

Rose Ellen Ramsburg Butler attended MWC for three years and served as the treasurer of our freshman class. She has been married 50 years and has two children and two grandsons.

Elizabeth "Betty" Moore Engsberg will miss our 50th reunion as she and husband Paul are going to the University of Durham in England for two semesters and will not return until late June. Paul is the registrar at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., and will be working in the registrar's office at the U. of Durham. They have a daughter, Charlotte, a son, Towson, and two grandchildren.

I heard through Betty that **Katharine**

"Kathie" Reynolds Stark lived next door to her until a year ago when she moved to Lookout Mountain, Tenn., to be near her daughter, Kitty, and four grandchildren. Kathie's daughter, Hilda, is married and lives on the West Coast, where she works in television and movies. Betty also wrote that Kathie is recovering from triple bypass surgery.

On one of her tours last summer, **Ann Briesmaster Robertson** went with 37 senior adults to Lancaster, Penn., to see "Noah," a production which was over two years in the making and had a many-storied ark filled with animals. Ann made several calls to class members in the Richmond area and found **Beverley Beadles Jackson** and **Anita Spivey Booker** at their same addresses. Beverley retired in 1988 from the Virginia Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services, where she worked in seed testing and analysis for 42 years. For 19 years of that time, she owned and operated Jackson Seed Testing Laboratory. Beverley and husband Barnett have two sons, who graduated from the U. of Virginia, married, and now live in Northern Virginia. Anita attended MWC for two years and then worked at the YWCA in Richmond, Va. She married in 1948 and had three sons. When the children were older, Anita returned to school, earned her degree in library science and was librarian in Henrico County.

Ann wrote that **Anne Ross Parks** fell in July and broke her hip. In August, Anne drove to Gloucester, Va., to visit **Bettie Woodward Pace**, who is in Sanders Nursing Home. Bettie's daughter had written, telling me that her mother had been in the nursing home about 10 years with multiple sclerosis, which started 30 years ago. Bettie and her husband, Charles, have one daughter, who lives in Baltimore, Md., and two grandsons. After leaving MWC, Bettie went to Medical Technician School at the U. of Virginia and worked at the hospital there before marrying after World War II.

I received addresses from **Ruth Boyer Rinker** for **Helen Lee Bowman**, **Mary Elizabeth Robertson**, **Nancy Ruth Robertson Glaise** and **Ruby Jamison Brubaker.** Ruth wrote that she had been appointed to the Virginia Council on Vocational Education, and for the past two years has been involved in the awards program of the National Association of State Councils on Vocational Education. She retired in 1985 after teaching for 30 years in the Frederick County School System in Winchester, Va.

Beatrice Anne "Betty" Bright Kelley first worked for the Dept. of Public Welfare in Cumberland, Md., for four years, then for DuPont Company and lastly in marketing research with a friend. She now volunteers at Winterthur Museum and Gardens. Betty and husband Charles have two children. Anne graduated from Duke U. and lives in Durham, N.C. Son Douglas, who lives in Mass., attended Cornell U. and the U. of California at Berkeley, where he earned his Ph.D. in bioengineering.

Anna Ruth Jones Wilson and **Mattie Naomi Gibson** both live in Indiana. Anna married in 1946 and taught school for a year before starting her family of two daughters and a son. After 12 years, she returned to teaching first grade and retired in 1988. After MWC, she received a master's degree in social studies and guidance from Ball State U. in Muncie, Ind. Mattie received a Ball State University Meritorious Service Award in 1984 and was named the 1990 Volunteer of the Year by the Mental Health Association.

We were sorry to hear that **Janice Worsley Mayberry** lost her husband, Linzy, on April 29, 1995, and **Mary Janes Ahern**'s husband, Jim, passed away on June 23. We extend our sympathy to both of these families.

Special thanks to **Miriam "Mim" Riggs Gay** and **Mildred "Mickey" Dixon Sullivan** for representing our class at the August meeting at the College, when plans were made for all the reunions in 1996. **Elaine "Sally" Heritage Jordan**, our reunion coordinator, already had vacation plans with her family when the meeting date was announced. The travel distance was too far for **Frances Holsclaw Brown** or me to attend. I talked to Sally after she returned from Ocean City, N.J., where she spent three weeks with her family.

My husband, Coy, and I have planned a four-day cruise to the Bahamas in October. He is a member of a retired Air Force group that is having its convention on the Carnival Cruise Lines. Over 400 members and guests have made reservations, and we are looking forward to seeing friends from many locations whom we were stationed with.

I have enjoyed serving as your class agent the last five years. It has helped me become familiar with the names listed in our commencement program and all the senior pictures in our 1946 *Battlefield*. With the help of many of you, we have located 19 of our lost class members and I hope that the number will go higher. Let's make our 50th the best reunion yet, and one that will be long remembered.

1948

Bette Worsham Hawkins
3812 Wellesley Terrace Circle
Richmond, VA 23233

Mildred Reed Thomas sent lovely greetings from the Eastern Shore. **Anne Barnes Baugh** is a real doer: action chairman of the League of Women Voters, Virginia Against Handgun Violence, active White House volunteer, a daily regimen of exercise, including aerobics, golf, swimming and tennis. She loves to travel, having been to Egypt this past winter, and in September 1995 headed for Spain, Portugal and Morocco. She frequents events at the Kennedy Center and is a gourmet cook. Her son, Dr. Jim Baugh, is a consultant on sex education for the Fairfax County School Board and was scheduled to be on the McNeil-Lehrer show in September. Anne and **Marge Batty Dey** visited **Betsy Robertson** in Danville in June.

The most wonderful letter, postmarked Waverly, Tenn., came from **Betty Bennett Ferguson**, another super-charged woman, who retired from 30-plus years of piano teaching in 1991 and hit the ground running. She walks three miles a day and does bench aerobics three times a week. She and Dick are very active in church and community service activities. As you will remember, Betty was very musical, singing in our trio and playing the piano. Since retiring, she has organized a hand bell choir and serves as pianist/organist at her church. They belong to two dinner/duplicate bridge groups, and she has two day-bridge clubs also. She is mastering Taiwanese cooking, especially Mongolian barbecue for the Waverly Woman's Club International Department, of which she is a member. Dick, an Annapolis graduate, worked at DuPont, and they have made several moves, including a year in Tampico, Mexico. They are avid Elderhostelers, having returned from one that included whitewater rafting on the New River — "A piece of cake," she wrote. Betty and Dick raised three children, all have advanced degrees, which she said she browbeat them into, never having gotten her own degree after Dick charmed her away from MWC in her senior year. She keeps in touch with several classmates, **Ann Parsley Graham**, **Lois Saunier Hornsby**, **Edith Matzenger Balfe** and **Flossie Taylor** of Mobile. Hearing from Betty brought back so many memories.

Since we left Culpeper, I rarely see **Ashby Griffin Mitchell**., but I saw her twice this summer, perfectly groomed, always smiling and such a pleasure to be with. **Carol Byrd Williamson** says **Betty Thornton Fletcher** and her husband were headed for a month in Europe.

We just returned from a month in Southern England. It was hot there with nary a fan, much less air conditioning, but we had cool nights. I liked my Italian Elderhostel so much that I've enrolled in another next spring in Florence. I've also enrolled in a graduate level Renaissance art course to fill the many gaps in my art history knowledge!

1950

Dorothy Held Gawley
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Upper Montclair, NJ 07043

Thanks to all who sent notes and shared photos after our reunion. Now I will have to get busy on the scrapbook for our 50th in the year 2000!

Carol Bailey Miller and Bill celebrated their 45th anniversary by returning to the Skyline Drive in the Blue Ridge Mts., where they spent their honeymoon. They also vacationed in North Carolina, stopping in Kitty Hawk to have lunch and visit with **Shirley Cole Schleter** and John.

Mary Cottingham Hardy and **D.G. Pate Wilson** arrived safely back in Calif., and Mary was greeted at the airport by her daughter-in-law and new 2-week-old granddaughter, Alexandria. While at a family reunion in July at Myrtle Beach, Mary was rushed to Charleston for emergency surgery on a detached retina. The eye is healing well, but it will be awhile before they know how much vision she will regain. There will be no heavy lifting or tennis for awhile.

Mary called **Liz Garey Parode** in Tuscon, Ariz., and learned she was leaving shortly for her annual trip to Zermatt, Switzerland. Later, Liz visited her daughter in Calif., and Mary had lunch with them. Liz has started another year as a substitute teacher, and she enjoys it, having a good rapport with the students. Mary spoke to **Nat Wilson** in Bellevue, Wash., who is working for Avis, sometimes seven days a week! However, she was able to

get in a vacation to the San Juan Islands.

Shortly after retiring to Florida, **Carmen Zeppenfeldt Catoni** was visited by her two granddaughters from Puerto Rico. She flew back to P.R. with them, but their flight was delayed three days due to Hurricane Erin. Carmen also talked with **Anne "Ozzie" Osborn Cox.**

Elsie Davidson Floyd had minimal damage from the early summer rains and flooding in Buena Vista. She said she has lived in the hilly section called Enderly Heights for 38 years and it was the first time she has had water under the house.

I am sorry to report that **Nancy Herring Stuart** of Annapolis, Md., lost her husband, Tom, who had emphysema, around reunion time. **Nancy L. Fox Sease** and **Betty Turner Jones** were able to give her personal support by attending the services for Tom.

In the Virginia Beach area, **Billie Mitchell Hanes** and **Barbara Booker Palmer** have been getting together. Billie is at the beach in the summer and spending winters in Naples, Fla. Billie has also been helping **Martha Carr Huddleston**, who had major surgery and is undergoing chemotherapy. Her first grandchild, Robert Carr Huddleston, was born on June 4, and he is her pride and joy.

Jewell Winstead Harper of Richmond wrote that she was expecting a grandchild in July, but also reported that her husband, William, died in March 1993.

A final personal note to say our youngest son, Jim, married on May 28. It was great to have the family together for the happy occasion, plus have all of our wedding attendants present. We celebrated our 40th in June. Jim and Carol spent their honeymoon in the Cayman Islands, where they enjoyed the snorkeling. Shortly after our MWC reunion, Irv and I took off for Cape Cod for much needed R&R, and I am happy to say Irv is doing well. While on the Cape, we got together several times with **Mim Sollows Wieland** and Earl. They have their crafts for sale in two shops on the Cape — one in Brewster and one in Chatham.

1952

Barbara Burgess Wassell
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Lexington, VA 24450

A letter arrived from Ireland from **Betsy Martin Carden**, where she and her husband, John, have a summer house. Their winter home is in Chapel Hill, N.C., but from the sound of her letter, they are never in either place too long. Last summer they toured China, Mongolia and Russia, crossed Siberia on the Trans-Siberian Railway, and at the end of the summer, they were in Paris and London. Betsy retired as dance chairman from Brooklyn College in 1986, then served as executive director of the American College Dance Festival Association from 1986-90. Last June, she was back at MWC for a dance concert honoring Claudia Read.

In July, a group of classmates got together in Charlottesville, Va., for lunch and catch-up time: **Gwen Amory Cumming**, **Sissy Davis Prillaman**, **Claire Sindlinger de Groot**, **Peggy Sherman Capers** (from Augusta, Ga.), **Carol Edgerton Cooper**, **Nancy Stump Motley**, **Nancy Parker Richardson**, **Dotty Davis Craig**, **Susie Branner Kessler**, **Jean Amis Hill**, **Mary Ann Jones Beard**, **Rita Morgan Stone** and **Dottie Maynard Power**. **Charlotte Adams Harrell** had just had back surgery, so couldn't make it, and **Janet Heilmann Meador** was in service with a new grandchild.

1954

Vera Bestwick Willis
407 Thomas St.
Alexandria, VA 22302

1956

Louise Robertson-Monroe
4312 S. Ashlawn Drive
Richmond, VA 23221

Hermine "Hermie" Gross Fox says her husband, Keary, retired December 1994 after 21 years as city attorney of Fullerton, Calif. He has oat cell cancer with a brain metastasis, but both tumors appear to be gone at the present. They plan a cruise after the first of the year. Hermie drives for Meals on Wheels and volunteers at the local hospital with the hospital guild. Her mother, 91, is in a nursing home in San Diego County, and Hermie has a sister in San Diego. Their daughter, Jennie, 30, has a 5-year-old son named Spencer, who is in first grade. They live in Camerillo, and Jennie works for the American Academy of Achievement in Malibu. Hermie's son, John, 28, lives in Channel Islands Harbor and works for Pace Inc., an environmental lab.

Hermie also reports on **Judith "Judi" Smith Hermanson**, **Corenne "Corky" Slater Gray** and **Barbara Clark Fowler**. Judi teaches art history at a continuation high school in San Diego and will return in December 1995. Husband Dave, who is head of the gifted program for San Diego City Schools, retires in the spring of 1996. Daughter Marden lives in New Jersey with her stockbroker husband and three daughters. Judi's son, Peter, is working on his Ph.D. in San Diego. Corky retired in June 1995 from the San Diego City Schools. Husband Dick is an elementary school teacher in the district. Son David and his wife are both teachers in the San Diego City School system. Barbara lives in Escondido and teaches English as a second language. Her husband, Merle, is a retired school administrator, who enjoys sailing. They have two sons: Blake is married and lives in the Sacramento area, and Yale manages a restaurant in the San Diego area.

Nancy T. Hawkins Lockhart, from the Yorktown Heights, N.Y., area says that she will be taking a nursing skills refresher course so she can perform private duty nursing in Camping, Conn. She has one grandchild, 2, and the second grandchild is due in Jan. '96.

Sabra Wood Lindsay writes from Henderson, Ky., where her husband, Gross, has practiced law for 35 years. He has also represented his local district in the Kentucky State Legislature for six terms. In May 1995, they celebrated Gross' retirement after 27 years in the classroom with a trip to England, Scotland and Wales. Their daughter, Lisa, lives in Carmel, Ind., close enough for them to enjoy their granddaughter, Lindsay, 2, and a grandson, who was due September 1995. She writes that she was last "on the hill" in May 1952, but her family still lives in Norfolk, so they return annually to the Norfolk area.

Ashley Kay Saine Nuckols, who is a certified genealogist, lives in Tazewell, Va. She is extremely busy with her archival collections, which she has been publishing, and when she can find time, plans to do 48 books on WWI soldiers who died during the war. She is also busy as a civic leader and enjoys her friends. In June 1995, Ashley went to Raleigh with her son and had such a good time that she will move to North Carolina by the first of October! Her father's family lived in North Carolina for many generations. While she was visiting there, she met her MWC roommate, **Cora Pauline "Paula" Moore Lee** of Greenville, N.C., for lunch. Paula is a grandmother, has four children and another grandchild on the way.

Mary Gale Buchanan, in Annapolis, Md., is working in the sailing center at the Naval Academy and the magnificent new visitors center and tour office. She took a month off to join good friends, Ward and Judy LeHardy, on a leg of their round-the-world cruise on their sailboat, *Comorant*. They sailed up the coast of Italy, over to Sicily and the Aeole Islands in the Tyrehenian Sea.

Patricia Barnes Kellam is a sculptor who lived in Onley, Va., but has now moved back to Pennsylvania to be near her daughter and granddaughter. **Ruth Estes Tanner** has been living in Richmond, Va., since 1993. She has two daughters, one married and a physician in Roanoke, Va., and the other lives in Richmond. She has a new grandson named Samuel. Ruth plays bridge, does volunteer work and attends classes. She toured England last year and wants to spend more time at Virginia Beach this year. She attended the MWC alumni wine and cheese party at the Virginia Museum last fall, and hopes that we have more get togethers like that.

Page Richardson Coulthard and husband Bob live in Sugar Grove, Va., where she is the media specialist at Marion Senior High School. She has enjoyed the automation of the library, which is quite time-saving. In 1994, they had a delightful trip through the New England states, and in the summer of 1995, they went through Atlanta, Mobile, New Orleans, Lake Charles and Vicksburg. She raises flowers and leaves the veggies to Bob.

Dixie Moore Kirby and husband Wallace are retired in Roxboro, N.C. She is a new member of a 73-year-old literary club. One charter member, who is almost 90, is still active. Dixie is active in the local Methodist church and volunteers for the Duke Cancer Patient Support Program. In July, Dixie and Wallace took a wonderful trip. They cruised the Rhine, Maine and Danube Rivers for two weeks, and took side trips by bus. In August, they were at their own cabin at Lake Junaluska, N.C.

Barbara Timmons Dempsey says the most important thing in her life is her 2-year-old grandson, Stephen Neal. She and husband Steve are enjoying their retirement, he from Virginia Power after 40 years and she from teaching for 29 years. They love their daily walks and the freedom from a fixed schedule.

Marilyn Platt Goodlett, who made smoked primitive pottery for many years, is converting her studio into a painting studio. Now requiring oxygen, she has gone back to

painting, this time purely for pleasure. Her husband, Bill, retired three years ago from IBM. He is a computer maven and lives on the golf course. They have traveled extensively and have become real Californians. They are thrilled to be grandparents of William Campbell Goodlett VI.

Diana Diaz Quintana, originally from San Juan, Puerto Rico, lives in Kissimee, Fla., with her husband of 35 years. They have five children and six granddaughters. She is planning to be at MWC for Reunion 1996.

Barbara Kowalzyk Heppe and Price live in Pennsylvania and spend summers in Little Deer Isle, Maine. They come in early May and leave the latter part of September. For almost 10 years, she worked two days a week for an interior design firm in Philadelphia in the public relations department and had the summers free. She has been retired for six years, and states that she really enjoys playing tennis these days. She keeps in touch with **Barbara Strangmann Hiscock**, who resides in Baltimore, **Darlene Grove McNelis**, Annandale, Va., **Julie Smith Cooke**, San Marino, Calif., **Michelle "Mickey" Foley McDaniel**, Marietta, Ga., and **Mary Gale Buchanan**, Annapolis. All have been up to Maine to visit Barbara, and in the interim, exchange cards about their advancing years.

Ann Ford Humphries, from Dunedin, Fla., says she enjoys babysitting for Scott and Robin's girl, who will be 3 in October, and boy, who was 2 in September. Robin is a radiologist. While visiting in North Carolina for John's birthday, Ann visited her daughter, Sally, and son-in-law, Ken, for three weeks. Eventually, Ann may go to Atlanta to live with her youngest child, Stuart, and his wife and family. Meanwhile, she is quite happy in Florida.

Lou Ann Ashby Steffey, from Exmore, Va., writes that she and her retired Marine husband have been married for over 38 years, and have four wonderful children and five grandchildren. Three of the children have master's degrees: a medical physicist, a dietitian and an engineer. The fourth is an officer in the Navy. Husband Jerry has worked as an accountant since retiring from the Marines in 1981. Lou does volunteer work at the Hermitage on the Eastern Shore. Both spend many hours tending their three acres on Occohannock Creek, just outside their hometown. Their children live all over the country. Lou and Jerry's travels involve visiting their children, with some side trips thrown in. In February 1995, Lou had surgery on her carotid artery and now watches her diet closely because of high cholesterol.

After many years, I finally heard from **Adrianna Selch Coe**, who was my roommate in the French House. She married in 1960, raised two stepsons, had her own son in 1972 and worked, as well. Her husband, a graduate of Yale Law School, died in June 1994.

Dorothy Wolfe Ventresca says that she and husband Peter have been married for 12 years and are living quite happily in Marion, Va. They are both full-time students at Bible College, and are working on the place they bought. They look after her father, who is 89 and recovering from a series of small strokes. Their son, Jim, and wife are missionaries, who have gone from South Africa to India and China for a period of two years. Their son, Rex, works in mental health. They love and enjoy their grandchildren.

Yolanda Montano is a manufacturer's representative of wrought-iron furniture for patio and interiors, mirrors, decorative accessories and linen. She comes to High Point, N.C., the country's largest furniture market, during the months of April and October. If anyone goes to Puerto Rico, she would love to see them.

Frieda Anne Headley Byrd writes that their daughter, Annette, will be married in Richmond, Va., Thanksgiving weekend. They travel a lot and enjoy visiting their children in Florida, Georgia and Virginia.

As for me, I have been a little remiss in newswriting. As a practicing pediatric cardiologist with an 80-year-old husband and a 95-year-old mother, sometimes life gets a little busy. I will no longer be taking night calls, but will be a full-time outpatient educator, which is my real love. I am seeing patients that I have followed for years. Husband Bill and I are planning to fly to England in October and take the *QE2* through the Mediterranean and then return to New York. One of the most wonderful events in my life was the recent marriage of my nephew, Randy Robertson, on September 9 in Bedford, Va., in the same church where I was married five years ago. For the last 11 years, I have essentially functioned as Randy's mother, and it was a mountain-top experience. Randy is in graduate school majoring in medieval English at the U. of Chicago, while John, the younger nephew, finishes college at the U. of Texas in Austin. My husband is a lay reader at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, and I am taking music lessons to get my piano skills back. My mother still gives book reviews, and runs the semiannual Bedford Clean-Up Day.

Please remember our 40th reunion in 1996.

1958

Cynthia West Benney
3 Peabody Ave.
Marblehead, MA 01945

Lucy West Preston
2 Nearfield Road
Lutherville, MD 21093

Jerry Stocks mailed us a great holiday newsletter. Jerry writes a column for *Sew Beautiful* magazine and travels the U.S. teaching. She and her husband, Ray, have a retail shop in Beaufort, S.C., called "Glad Rags and Flags." **Dorothy Dalton Crossan** reports that she has finally retired from teaching, but continues to officiate swimming. Her three grandchildren keep her quite busy. When Mike retires, they will be moving to Hardy, Va., near Smith Mountain Lake.

Ruthie Ridge Griggs had a nice reunion with **Joy Davidson**, **Jean Miller** and **Alice Cox**. They met along I-81 to share Reunion '93 pictures. Ruthie was in Sanibel Island last winter and proudly wore her MWC alumni shirt. **Nancy Gotthardt Barnett** works as an assistant lab administrator in a UNIX laboratory at MITRE Corp. in McLean, Va. Both of her children are married and living in Richmond, Va.

It is time to begin preparing for our reunion in '98 — come to renew old friendships!

1960

Patricia Garvin Dyke
1921 Albion Road
Midlothian, VA 23113

1962

Mary Hodnett Minozzi
9645 Hoke Brady Road
Richmond, VA 23231

1964

Frances Page Loftis
211 Merritt St.
South Boston, VA 24592-5019

Helen Vakos Standing
421 Godspeed Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

From Frances:

I am teaching Spanish at Central High School in Lunenburg County after having been out of school for nearly 10 months, as I had two heart attacks in November 1994. Luckily, I was in Chippenham Medical Center in Richmond when the second one occurred, so I had excellent care. I am doing very well and am glad to be back at work. **Sandra Bossuot Wainright** visited me almost daily in the hospital and drove me to South Boston when I was discharged. Sandy, **Mary Ann Denham**, **Frances Grafton**, **Pat Lane** and **Marilyn Washburn** were all there for me during my recovery.

I saw most of the South Boston group from the Class of 1964 at a high school reunion. **Clara Forlines Conner** lives in Greensboro, N.C., where husband Chip is in real estate development. They have three sons. Clara, retired from teaching, is working in the accounting department of NationsBank. **Becky Spears Wright** lives in Virginia Beach. She and husband Nick have one son. Becky is a court services volunteer and an avid golfer. **Nancy Cocke Campbell** lives in Chester and is a real estate consultant.

Roberta Mellor Tilden and husband Douglas live in Durham, N.C. Roberta is with the Durham County Library and Douglas with Duke University. One of their sons is in Colorado, and the other is in New Zealand as an exchange student. **Martha Coates**, the only MWC/Halifax County High graduate not attending the reunion, lives in New York and is a grandmother.

From Helen:

Sue Burton Parker became a grandmother in November 1994. Her daughter, Virginia, who lives in New Jersey, gave birth to a daughter, Lindsay Elizabeth. Sue has two other daughters: Mary, who lives and works in Manhattan, and Margaret, who graduated from Virginia Tech this past June and works in Virginia Beach.

Sally Crenshaw Witt moved back to Richmond after a 28-year absence and is renovating a nice old home with her unusual talents. Sally passed along the news that **Penelope Outten**, recently married, moved from Germany to the Washington, D.C., area.

I talk to **Joanne Crockett Lewis** frequently. Joanne and husband Marvin live in Dalton, Ga. She is active in the local historical society and past president of the Dalton Garden Club. **Joyce Liggett Tollinger** and her school

teacher husband, Tom, live in Littleton, Colo. Joyce is substitute teaching and tutoring in French. She has enjoyed raising four children: Adele, 23, Allyson, 20, and twin boys, Alan and Andy, 17. Adele is a graduate of the U. of Colorado, and Allyson is a junior there. Alan and Andy are juniors in high school. Joyce and her family make occasional trips back East for family reunions.

Paula Powers Warren and husband George have two daughters: Elizabeth, 24, and Ashley, 16. Elizabeth graduated from the U. of Virginia and is working for Prevent Child Abuse Inc. in Raleigh, N.C. Ashley is a senior in high school. Paula is working in her husband's law office in Louisa, Va., as a legal assistant. She also tutors French. Living in the country, the Warrens have many animals to care for, including two horses, two dogs, a couple of cats and a feisty cockatiel.

Joyce and Paula sadly reported that their dear friend, **Nancy Orrock Hall,** passed away unexpectedly during Thanksgiving '94. Nancy and husband Herb lived in Connecticut and had three children. While at MWC, Nancy majored in French and taught French in public high school after graduation. Nancy was greatly beloved by students and faculty alike at Briston Eastern High School and in 1993 was listed in *Who's Who in America Teachers*. Herb reports that the school has established a scholarship fund in her memory, and it will be awarded each June to a graduate who will be attending a four-year college. Contributions may be made to the fund by sending a check to Bristol Eastern High School, 632 King Street, Bristol, CT 06010, Attn: Elizabeth Phelan. Please make checks payable to BEHS Activity Fund.

Thanks to everyone for the news. I am very excited about being a grandparent in January. My daughter, Ann-Marie Plumlee, lives in Chapel Hill, N.C., with husband Bryan, who is in his last year of law school at the U. of North Carolina. Ann-Marie is a social worker at the U.N.C. hospital. Son Michael is in the construction business in Virginia Beach, but still works part time at our restaurant, Fogg's. If you are in Virginia Beach, call me at 428-2583 or come by for a visit. I've recently taken up golf, so, if you play, bring your clubs!

1966

Katharine Rogers Lavery
507 Devonshire Dr., NE
Vienna, VA 22180

Yes, it's a new name and address for your class agent, but it's still the same correspondent. The wedding and two moves went very well, and Hank and I are happily settled into our traditional split-level home in Vienna, Va., centrally located to all the children and grandchildren. This has already become a favorite gathering place, much to our delight.

One uplifting letter arrived from Tennessee from **Barbara Hermann Miller**, who describes her life very humorously as uneventful, perhaps even dull by urban standards. She sounds content and happy with husband Jerry, her teen-age daughter and her very fulfilling job. Her back yard is filled with boats in need of repair, making mowing a really quick chore, and allowing the family to spend much of their time working on boats, and canoeing and hiking.

Ann McNamara Chase is a psychotherapist in Gaithersburg, Md., with her own practice. Her husband works at the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and her married daughter still lives nearby and teaches preschool. Ann keeps in touch with **Brooke Summerville**, **Carol Meese** and **Georgia Moyka**.

We have another second-generation graduate on our list. **Dee Marks Duncan** has a son, **William**, who is a 1991 graduate of MWC, and whose fiancée is also a 1992 graduate. Although Dee is still in Manassas, Va., William, who just finished his master's degree at Clemson in regional and urban planning, is now job hunting in South Carolina. Dee keeps in touch with **Judy Zipf Phillips**, who has relocated to Jacksonville, Fla., from Arlington, Va.; **Donna Wolfe Shinderman** in Fairfax, Va.; and with **Lynn Smithey Campbell** of Tazewell, Va. Dee is looking forward to attending our reunion.

Carol Arndt Reynolds is a teacher for Newport News public schools, teaching elementary age students with learning disabilities. Six years ago she married Bill, a retired Army officer. Carol's daughters, Nicole and Gwenn, attend U.Va., while son David attends Virginia Tech. Nicole plans to attend law school; Gwenn is a chemistry major; and David has completed a co-op program in accounting with IBM. Carol proudly includes a retired racing greyhound, three cats and another dog in her happy family.

We've made good progress over the last five years and unless one of you is eager to take this position, I'll gladly continue as class agent. Our 30th reunion is next spring. It will be exciting to see one another again.

1968

Margaret Livingston
229 Coronado Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90803

The Class of 1968 is saddened by the death of **Carole Brinkley Brasher**. Carole lost her battle with cancer in December 1994. **Donna Sheehan Gladis** wrote, "**Suzy Blankenship Capone**, **Pam Tompkins Huggins**, **Sally Monroe Kelly**, **Anne Tooke** and I treasure the time spent with Brinkley at the MWC 25th reunion in 1993 and a subsequent mini-reunion at Pam's house in 1994. Sally was able to see Brinkley in December when she was hospitalized in California. Anne, Pam and Donna attended her memorial service in Suffolk, Va. Her strength, perseverance, and wonderful sense of humor were an inspiration to us. We miss her, but are comforted by many happy memories of times spent together at MWC and over the past year." Brinkley is survived by two daughters, Corbyn and Regan.

In March, **Maureen Murphy McCart** visited **Sue Farnham Piatt** in Cleveland. She is now an empty-nester since Jeff graduated from Oberlin last year and is living in San Francisco. Chris is living in Chicago. Sue works for the Girl Scouts and was moving into the city.

Maureen's son just finished his freshman year at Dartmouth, not far from **Diane Hammond Wittreich**'s home. Maureen planned to visit Diane this fall when she took her son back to school, after two failed attempts to connect last year. **Nancy Bell Patterson** works as a paraprofessional in the school system. Her daughter, Suzanne, is a sophomore at Penn State this year.

Maureen and Dan had brunch with **Suzanne McCarthy Van Ness**, Sam, and their twin girls, who were on the East Coast to attend son Jeff's graduation from U.Va.

I was pleased to receive a long letter from **Jenifer "Toni" Ward Clason**, catching up on the last 26 years! When her husband, Terry, returned from Vietnam, he and Toni were stationed at Parris Island, then moved to Louisiana while Terry got his master's at LSU. They then relocated to Athens, Ga., where Terry earned his Ph.D. and Toni her J.D. In 1976, they returned to Louisiana, where they reside on the Hill Farm Research Station. Terry is the director of forestry research and a professor at LSU. Toni spent her time practicing law, teaching business law, and raising daughter Jenifer and son Stuart. In 1990, Toni entered the world of Louisiana politics, serving as district judge of a three-parish judicial district. Jenifer graduated from Bryn Mawr in 1990, and met her husband, Matthew Scott, while both were Army officers in Germany. Stuart is a sophomore at Christchurch Episcopal School in Virginia. Toni wrote: "In 1992, I received an award at Louisiana Tech University as 'Woman of the Year.' I told the audience that after family, the greatest influence in my life was going to a women's college. There was nothing in my undergraduate education that made me feel I could not do anything I chose to do. I never felt being a woman limited my choices. I do feel — and told the women in the audience — that we *can* have it all; we just have to sleep less than we might like." In March 1995, Terry was invited to lecture at an international forestry conference in New Zealand, and Toni went with him. She was invited by the New Zealand Dept. of Justice to meet with various district judges, high court and court of appeals justices. She presented a paper on the history of the Louisiana Civil Code.

Toni also wrote that she sees **Norvell Millner Hodges** '48, who lives at Upper Sandy Point in Westmoreland County, during trips to Stuart's school. Norvell and husband Preston have a lovely home on the Potomac River. **Ceci Riddell Viall** is living in Costa Rica. Her husband, Dick, has a business there. Their eldest child, Samantha, married in March of 1995. She and her husband, Joe, have a ranch in George West, Texas, about an hour from Corpus Christi. **Carlton Ridge Auerbach** lives in Louisville, Ky., with her husband, Keith, and two sons. Keith is a psychiatrist, and Carlton has an internationally recognized jewelry business, Sutton Hoo, named after the Druid treasure.

I spent the 1994-95 school year living in Houston, Texas. The "Success For All" program is being implemented in 54 elementary schools there, and I served as the facilitator for the project. In September 1995, I relocated to California, where I am now the director of the "Success For All" Regional Training Center at the Southwest Regional Laboratory in Los Alamitos, which includes schools in California and Arizona. I am renting a wonderful bungalow two blocks from the beach (yes, I have a guest room)! My daughter, Anne, married her high school sweetheart

on July 29 in a beautiful ceremony in Denver. My college roommate, **Janice Bryant Lotterhos**, who was my maid of honor in 1969 and is Anne's godmother, was a special guest. Anne and Jason, my new son-in-law, are seniors at Colorado State University. My son, Todd, 24, returned from a year in Scotland in May and leaves in November for Australia with his girlfriend, Rebecca. She is from Melbourne, and they met in Scotland. Wow, the lives our kids lead!

1970

Susan Duffey DiMaina
5186 Kimscott Court
Annandale, VA 22003

Conde Palmore Hopkins sent a long, entertaining letter from Ashland, Va., contributing the following news: **Linda Gattis** '69 married a Charlotte man last March and has inherited two teen-age stepsons whom she adores. **Linda Holt Armstrong**, who left after our sophomore year, lives in Chester, Va., with daughters Erin and Annie. Erin is a sophomore at U.Va. **Barbara Burton Micou** '69 lives in Chester with husband Chip and sons Matt, Paul and Frazer. The oldest boys are in college at James Madison U. and Virginia Tech. **Alison Heartwell** lives in Fredericksburg with husband Michael, children Augusta, and Layton and Will (twins). Alison is a librarian and enjoys her work despite the difficulty of trying to balance everything at home and the office.

Rochele Hirsch, our former class agent, wrote that she was sorry to miss our 25th reunion, but had been in Singapore for 10 months, and found that she had more to do in Atlanta than she could get done before heading back for another eight months in that far-off country. She explained, "I first went to Singapore in July 1994 on a consulting contract with a systems integration company to do a business development plan, then managed a bid project. I've traveled to Australia, Malaysia, Hong Kong, New Delhi and Nepal. Now I am consulting on communications processes for management teams, and doing color and personality profiles with individuals."

Suzanne Ferguson Buchanan of Rocky Mount, N.C., has two part-time jobs. She helps her husband, who is a CPA, and works at a gift shop. She also has a full-time job as the mother of Abby, 13, and Brad, 15. **Carolyn Woodruff Rogers** in Rock Hill, S.C., is a full-time property lawyer and mom to Zach, 13, and Hunter, 10. **Frances Cone Caldwell** teaches kindergarten in Hampton, Va. Her twin girls, Scottie and Keenan, are 11.

I admire Francie for her energy. I've been away from teaching for two years, and although I miss the students, I can't say I miss the relentless pace of teaching high school English. Of course, being home with my 6-year-old daughter is taxing in a very different way. Keeping up with her school activities and social life — not to mention chauffeuring her to gymnastics and ice skating. My motto should be "I live to serve"!

1972

Anne Toms Richardson
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Norfolk, VA 23507

1974

Alice Harding Thomas
1901 Mariner Court
Virginia Beach, VA 23454

Janelle Hicks Wesenberg
1207 Parkington Lane
Bowie, MD 20716

1976

Judy Sledge Joyce
3101 Little Creek Lane
Alexandria, VA 22314

Everyone mark your calendars for our 20th reunion! It will be held May 31-June 2, 1996. By now you should have received Reunion Weekend information and returned your questionnaire for inclusion in the Reunion Booklet. Thanks to **Robin Hotchkin Warren** for all her work in putting the booklet together. If you have any questions or suggestions about the reunion, please call me or **Betty Ann Gupton Teter**, our reunion coordinator.

Gayle Shelton Geleta gave birth to twins, Nicholas and Nina, on August 19, 1995, who join big sister Natalie, 3. Gayle and husband Nick have been busy with the children, but Gayle plans to go back to work at Keene Mill Elementary. She occasionally sees **Daphne Johnston Elliott** at the school as Daphne's daughter, Missy, is in the gifted program. Missy was in a school play, and Daphne was busy working on props.

Madelin Jones Barratt has a new daughter, Anna Massey, born December 8, 1994. Anna joins William, 10, and Ellen, 7. Madelin teaches music at their school one day a week, and husband Henry is president of the Drayton Company, an investment banking firm.

1978

Elizabeth Somerville Hutchins
14240 Raccoon Ford Road
Culpeper, VA 22701

1980

Patty Goliash Andril
3420 Lorcom Lane
Arlington, VA 22207

This is my first opportunity to submit news since volunteering to be class agent at the reunion last June. I hope everyone in the class will drop me a postcard or letter, so that we will be well represented with news.

Our reunion was great fun. The weather was sunny and warm and the campus never looked prettier. I enjoyed visiting with **Kit Givens Burns**, who brought her son, Benjamin, born in March 1995. Kit's husband, Howard, and their older son, Nathaniel, were at home in Smithfield, Va.

Nancy LaClair Stults is a busy research scientist at SeaLite Sciences in Georgia, as well as the mother of two, Kaitlin and Tanner. Nancy's husband, Larry, is a patent attorney at Jones and Askew. **Kimm Harty** came all the way from Utah. She resides in Salt Lake City, where she is a geological manager at Utah Geological Survey. She recently was named one of the 1995 winners of the John C. Frye Memorial Award in Environmental Geology for the report "Geologic Hazards of the Ogden Area, Utah," which was written by her and six others. This award is made by the Geological Society of America and Association of American State Geologists for the best paper in the field of environmental geology published by a state geological survey or by GSA during the past three years.

I want to thank **Joanne Whelan Nikitakis** for the impromptu party she hosted following the Saturday afternoon reunion festivities. Joanne opened her beautiful home in Fredericksburg to several members of our class including spouses and children. We had a wonderful time, thanks to Joanne, her husband, Jim, and their three children, John, Katie and Christine.

Last August I heard from **Amy Hauck Newman**. She enjoys living in Phoenix, Md, and she continues to work for the National Institute on Drug Abuse, where she is a research chemist. She recently submitted a patent application for Potential Cocaine Therapeutics. In addition, she was getting ready for a beach vacation at Nags Head, N.C., with husband Chris and their three children, Kelly, Joshua and Katelyn.

Linda Ellen Jones is living in New York and working as an assistant professor of ceramic engineering and science at New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University. She recently bought 198 acres of land and is designing her dream house. She had just returned from a vacation that included stops in California, Idaho and Canada.

My sister, **Barbara Goliash Emerson** '79 lives in Fairfax, Va., with her husband, Doug, and their son, Douglas Joseph, 4. She works as a budget analyst with Fairfax County's Office of Management and Budget and was recently promoted.

I am enjoying living in Arlington, Va., with husband David and our children, Katie and John. David's job as an attorney had him traveling to South America a great deal this summer. We're hoping that this will slow down as the fall sailing season begins. We love sailing and are proud that our kids already know a jib from a mainsail, the bow from the stern and port from starboard. Now, if we could just teach them left from right!

1982

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Elizabeth Ince Grannis
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Nancy Kaiser
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Alexandria, VA 22304

Caroline Borden Kirchner
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Knoxville, TN 37919

1984

Linda Lemanski Blakemore
1317 Littlepage St.
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

David Swanson
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Alexandria, VA 22301

Dan Steen, an associate in the Washington, D.C., office of Reed Smith Shaw & McClay, has been awarded the Marvin E. Preis Award by the Bar Association of the District of Columbia (BADC). The award recognizes the Young Lawyers Section's (YLS) outstanding committee chairman of the year.

1986

Fernanda Kain
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Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Channing Williams
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Kenner, LA 70065

1988

Jay Bradshaw
11913 Bluebird Lane
Catharpin, VA 22018

Kenneth Plaia
5707 N. 25th Road
Arlington, VA 22207

From Kenneth:

Jennifer Furrow, who lives in Richmond, has left the world of accounting to teach high school English in Spotsylvania County. **Todd** '91 and **Lisa Poindexter Plaia** '91 are living in Fairfax, Va., with daughter, Mackenzie Anne. Todd and I work at Oncor, Inc. in Gaithersburg in the field of cancer genetics, and Lisa works for Compass, a property management firm. Todd also works in the same lab as **Sarah Hamblin** '91.

Dawn Benner returned to the United States after spending eight months in Lille, France. She was hoping to teach in the Richmond area.

I'm always running into **Gayle Petrozino** '79 down at Mad, Mad World in Occoquan. She is teaching fifth grade in her off-the-wall style, and in her spare time away from needlepoint, she enjoys shopping for her next Bluefish outfit.

Congratulations to Matt and **Mary Beth Begley Matuszewski** on the birth of their son, Scott Joseph, born on July 20. Mary Beth married Matt four years ago, and they live in New Jersey. She works for Ernst and Young in Princeton as a recruiting coordinator.

I just spent 11 days teaching a workshop on molecular cytogenetic techniques in Ramat Gan, Israel, to the genetic community there. I also went to London, England, for New Year's Eve. Other than that, I spend quite a lot of time traveling to California.

1990

Beth Johnston McDonald
483 Burnham Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

My husband, Brad, and I had a baby girl, Caroline, on December 27, 1994. She is wonderful, and I highly recommend parenthood for any of you who have not taken the plunge. Brad has worked for nearly four years at The James River Institute for Archaeology, and got his master's in anthropology at The College of William and Mary in 1994. I am now working for Powhatan Plantation Resort, where, among other things, I am the editor of two newsletters.

My old roommate, **Beth Moore**, married Mike Reeb in 1993, and they live in Ashburn. Beth works for Coopers and Lybrand. **Andrea Schwalm Stolz** '89 and husband John are stationed in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and are expecting a baby in March '96. Through Andrea, I hear that **Ginny Littlejohn Brockwell** '89 and husband Richard welcomed a son, "Trip," in July.

We see **Kevin Shirley** (aka "The Streak") quite often. He's living in Northern Va., and is an editorial assistant for the National Council of Teachers of *Math* magazine. He got his master's in classics at the U. of Md., but decided to do something else for awhile.

I am in close contact with **Billy Germelman** '91 and wife Olga, who have two adorable children, Alexandra, 2, and Matthew, born in November '94. Billy lives in Fredericksburg and is a probation officer. Billy and Olga had an official church wedding Labor Day weekend (they were actually married in November '93), and it was a hoot! **Sean Dargan** played the bagpipes.

One of my closest friends in Williamsburg is **Colleen Cummings** '94. We met when I worked at Kingsmill Resort and Conference Center, where she works as member services manager. We also see **Sherri Rasnake Eng** '89 and her husband, Garwin, since they live in Newport News. Sherri and Garwin both work for the Navy in Norfolk.

I keep in touch via mail with **Kathy Engelbrecht Roberts**, who has three children and lives in Malaysia, where she and husband Scott are working for Young Life. **Margaret Henneberry** has been living with boyfriend Soren for three years and works for the National Foreign Affairs Training Center, handling enrollments. Her old roommate, **Kelly Kikukawa Kaelin**, and husband David live in Newington, Va. Kelly is a meeting planner with ESI and David is in the Army.

Roxanne Mackie works for the Bureau of National Affairs in Georgetown. **Jennifer Phinney Bell** is enjoying being at home with her two daughters, Rachel and Erin, in Denver, Colo.

When I saw **Rich Cooper** at Reunion Weekend (which was a blast), he was getting married in two weeks. I heard a story about him proposing by hanging a sign off some building in D.C. — is that true? Rich passed the class agent torch to me in June.

1992

Dorothy Ogburn
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Fredericksburg, VA 22407

Michael Votava
65 Third St., Apt. 2
Bangor, ME 04401

1994

Tracey J. Bubb
3147 Tidal Bay Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Kelly Dunn
407 Casaloma Drive
Forest, VA 24551

From Kelly:

I have heard from a few friends. **Mandy Khaiyer** writes that she is well and looking forward to a second year at Penn State. **Kym France** is living in Cincinnati and **Chris Lazzuri** is managing an American Eagle Outfitters store in Richmond.

Take a moment and drop T.J. or me a postcard. We want to help you stay in touch with those many friends you made at MWC.

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of the deceased.

Margaret Turner Avery '19
Virginia Pancoast Sullivan '30
Huttie Elizabeth Davis '32
Margaret Kalnen Damke '33
Hazel Parsons Ellis '34
Hazel Barnes Fisher '34
Irmalee Smith Dehanas '35
Marion Goodman Lichtman '36
Frances Mayse Agreen-Fold '37
Jeanne Johnson Rust '39
Virginia Gilmer Crumpler '41
Mary Waugh Bradley '42
Susan Virginia Johnson Burr '42
Catherine Snodgrass Umdenstock '43
June Copeland '44
Elizabeth Lautenschlager Piel '44
Ruth Griffin '46
Evelyn Phaup Rawls '46
Phyllis Wampler Garcia '51
Charles C. Ritter '51
Peggy Cutherell Taylor '51
Dorinda Osterman Anderson '59
Nancy Orrock Hall '64
Elizabeth Bennett Payne '76
David "Hawk" Hawkens '82

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to those who have recently lost loved ones.

Florence Johnson Dodge '34, who lost her husband.
Edna Lovering Roe '36, who lost her husband.
Eleanor Sommers Hartless '42, who lost her husband.
Janice Worsley Mayberry '46, who lost her husband.
Gloria Brown Schoonmaker '46, who lost her husband.
Edith Matzenger Balfe '48, who lost her husband.
Anne Gorman Mattingly '53, who lost her husband.
Elizabeth Gould Storms '58, who lost her father.
Gloria Winslow Borden '59, who lost her husband.
Martha Coates '64, who lost her mother.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the following alumni:

Gayle Shelton Geleta '76, twins, a daughter and a son.
Kathryn Givens Burns '80, a son.
James S. Miller '84, a daughter.

A Gentle and Caring Heart

Dorothy C. Simpson
(1903-1995)

I first met Dorothy when I was a freshman at Mary Washington College. We students walked, new and fresh, from our high school days, to Brompton — high on the hill — representing Southern glory, academic pinnacles, our new independence, and, yes, our fears of being on our own.

She was the gracious hostess, the epitome of all that is meant by gentilesse and courtesie, to use the Chaucerian English. I don't know whether I was more awed by the Simpsons or by Brompton in those days. Now I'm sure it was by the Simpsons.

Four years later I went again to Brompton, this time as a senior who had just completed Grellet's Chaucer seminar. Dorothy had invited the seminar students for dinner, and, again, my remembrance is of a gracious lady — one with great breadth and depth of knowledge, a gentle and caring heart, and a decided twinkle in her eye!

Years passed — nearly 25, unfortunately — before I got in touch again. I called and found Dorothy worried about Grellet's health because of his eyes and a recent fall. We spoke many times on the phone, she and I, and then, when Grellet was well enough, I went for a visit. It didn't take me long to realize what I had been missing during all those years. Sitting with the two of them, often on the front porch, talking of Jane Austen, Geoffrey Chaucer, Mary Washington College, mysteries, and so many other things, made me feel as though I had come home.

And when my mother died last December, Dorothy stepped in and "adopted" me, caring and listening, sharing and laughing, and delighted by everything. She specially loved watching the horse-drawn carriage go by so we could wave at the tourists. She had a great love of life — of books, birds, trees, flowers, people, and especially candy (mints and chocolates topped the list). How she loved candy.

Dorothy Simpson, as I told Grellet on Wednesday, is probably even now having one h___ of a good time sitting down and chatting with my other mother — waiting to wave at passersby and checking out the candy jars in heaven.

By Dr. Elizabeth L. Hudgins '65

On a Wing and a Prayer

David "Hawk" Hawkens '82
(1960-1995)

When David "Hawk" Hawkens' sister emerged from the church on her wedding day, the bells pealed from the tower — the tower which had been marked "Do not enter" and "Do not ring the bells." Looking up, Susan saw her smiling brother. After the service, it was David who vacuumed the rice scattered about the sanctuary.

But David had much more to his character than a sense of humor and thoughtfulness. In August 1995, witnesses praised David's bravery for staying with a disabled U-2 spy plane which was to have flown reconnaissance over beleaguered Bosnia.

Out of control just after take-off, his black wide-winged plane dived toward a populated area near Fairford Airfield, 80 miles west of London, England. David was attempting an emergency landing when "The Dragonlady" tilted sideways and one wing scraped the ground. David used his ejection seat at the last second, but, because of the angle of the plane, was thrown into a fence. He was airlifted to a hospital, but died soon afterwards. "The pilot obviously had the chance to eject while he was still airborne," said a witness to the crash. "To me that makes him a hero," said another. Many villagers praised his brave efforts to stay at the controls so long in an effort to steer the aircraft away from houses and fuel storage tanks.

But David's consideration of others didn't begin in England. With no Saturday classes to attend, who at MWC would want to get up early to conduct a tour for visiting parents? "David Hawkens," says Conrad Warlick, MWC's senior vice president for administrative and student services. "When you couldn't count on any other student, David always came through with a smile and cheerful disposition. Every dean in the Admissions Office in 1980 looked forward to sending a group with David, because it was certain that the group would have a super tour. He was our most faithful guide."

Being faithful was important to David, as were music and flying. On high flights you could count on two things going along: his prayer book and a favorite piece of music. One day, when David's father, retired Colonel Edward Hawkens, came to visit him at MWC, David spirited him away to Shannon Airfield to surprise him with his new flying prowess. "With a big grin, David said, 'I forgot to tell you, I passed my flight inspection.'" Col. Hawkens says David loved the College, its history, and Fredericksburg. "MWC was made for David."

After graduating from the Air Force Academy, David served far from MWC, which is evident in condolence letters from Japan, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Germany and Paris. Memorial services held on the East and West Coasts, as well as in England, remembered his courage and sense of fair play.

Before the fatal crash, David was honored with the Air Medal and Meritorious Service Medal, the National Defense Medal and the Air Training Ribbon for flights in the Persian Gulf War and the 10 sorties he flew over Bosnia in Operation Deny Flight for NATO.

His commanding officer, Lt. Col. Craig Gardner, wrote, "David's triumphant spirit is an inspiration to all the men and women when the daily challenges begin to wear on us. Remembering David's enthusiasm and jubilance helps me get through the day."

By Liz Gordon

Spinning Wheel Boutique

The Spinning Wheel Boutique can help you find that special gift. The Boutique offers a variety of merchandise, featuring the pewter Jefferson Cup, Boston Rocker and Captain's chair. All gifts are available for purchase at the alumni house or they can be shipped (with additional shipping charge). Add 4.5% sales tax to the price of all items purchased in the Boutique or shipped to a Virginia address. Make checks payable to Mary Washington College Alumni Association, and mail requests to P.O. Box 1315, College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402. You can also call the Alumni Office at (540) 654-1011 with your order or fax it to (540) 654-1075 and charge it with your VISA or MasterCard.

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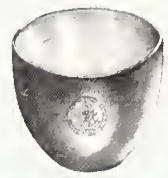

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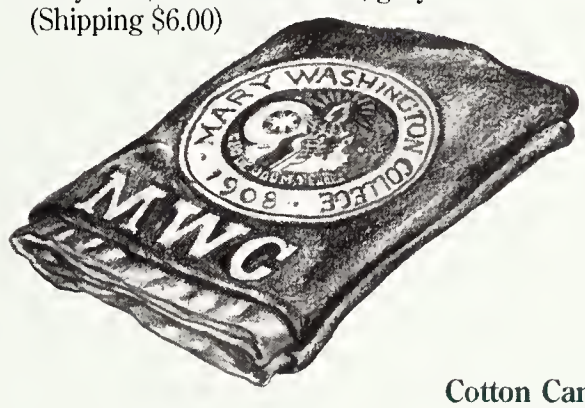
Navy blue/white MWC seal/gray trim
(Shipping $6.00)



Beach Towel $24.00
Navy blue with white embroidered lettering, 36" x 72"
(Shipping $3.00)

Captain's Chair $190.00
#342-2108–Satin black lacquer finish with cherry arms
(Shipping subject to UPS rates.)

Cotton Canvas Tote Bags
Natural cotton with navy blue trim and embroidered lettering
Small (12" x 14")–$12.50
Large (14" x 24")–$20.00
(Shipping $3.00)

Nylon Bags
New items (not pictured):
Large Carry-All, 24" x 12" x 12", $26.50 (shipping $5.00)
Small Carry-All, 19" x 10" x 10", $22.00 (shipping $4.00)
Briefcase, 16-1/4" x 13-1/4" x 3", $26.50 (shipping $4.00)
Garment Bag 39" $24.00 (shipping $4.00)
Garment Bag 54" $27.00 (shipping $4.00)

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